

Tampere, 20th of June 2016

Mr. Vladimir Krivorog
Mr. Sergey Kuzmin

Sirs!

I have a special pleasure to greet you and your staff today. Exactly twenty years ago on the 20th of June 1996 the first scheduled flight, SAS, flew from Copenhagen Kastrup to Tokyo Narita via AGAMO using the new transpolar route A333.

Five years intensive work with studies and a lot of national and international meetings between Russian Federation and Finland and other parties were held. It was really historical moment. The result was excellent; it was/is cost effective for Air Liners and so far also for passengers, effective use of air space taking into account all air space users was/is guaranteed, it was/is reducing air pollution and was/is proper one for service providers too.

Now in 2016 after twenty years of experience we can realize that the work done has been very successful. In this respect I have a great pleasure to greet below mentioned people in random order and your whole staff on this beautiful sunny afternoon for this special anniversary.

Juri Averianov, Juri Melescho, Vladimir Krivorog, Victoria Polukhina, Tanja Guseva, Boris Artamonov, Andrei Kudryavtsev, Sergey Kuzmin, Vladimir Ubirajev, Juri Zak, Vladimir Bakharev, Rustem Kurbanbajev, Juri Balakin, Aleksander Egorov and Anatoly Ponomarev.

It was challenging opportunity for me to meet you and greatly appreciated the good co-operation. I wish all of you and your families all the best in the future whether you are working or already retired.

With best regards!

Jouko Pelkonen