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## Upgrade of Runways at the International Airports of Cyprus



Hermes Airports announces that the first phase of the project for upgrading the runways at both Cypriot airports that began on 1 November 2010 has been completed.

Almost every night during the past six months over 100 workers, diggers, trucks and other machines have "taken over" the runways at both airports and have worked from midnight until seven in the morning in a bid to upgrade the technical instalments of the country's two airports.

In a statement, Hermes Airports Public Relations and Communications Manager, Adamos Aspris said that the completed works included:

- new asphalting of parts of the runway channels and taxiways at Larnaka Airport and complete asphalting of the runway at Pafos Airport,
- new asphalting at points of connection of runways with taxiways,
- the installation of new lighting in areas of aircraft approach,
- repairs of the aircraft landing areas and

- replacement of the lighting cables on both, runways and taxiways.

Additionally, at the end of March 2012 more upgrades will take place at our airports, such as the widening of taxiways, the installation of new central lighting and the full replacement of runway lighting.

Mr Aspris added that "with these works Hermes Airports aims to strengthen the level of security and safety at both airports by improving the quality of the runways, by operating our own reliable lighting system and creating a signalling system which complies with international regulations".

The total cost of the upgrade work is expected to exceed seven million Euros.

**Footnotes to the Media:**

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