AIR TRANSPORT

Audit team finds

Air Canada safe
MONTREAL ~

An independent survey team
commissioned by Air Canada
president Claude Taylor to
investigate operational safety
has reported that the airline
has one of the best records in
the business. Taylor asked for
the audit to check whether
there were any "fundamental
or substantive flaws" in tech-
nical or operational pro-
cedures, following a series of
incidents and accidents.

On May 12, an Air Canada
DC-9 skidded off a Regina
runway in a blizzard; on June
2, 23 passengers died of smoke
inhalation after a DC-9 force-
landed at Cincinnati because
of fire in a toilet compart-
ment; on July 20, a TriStar
returned to Toronto because
of vibration in one engine; and
on July 23 a Boeing 767
landed deadstick at an aban-
doned airfield at Gimli,
Manitoba, after running out
of fuel. The latter incident
arose from confusion between
metric and standard mea-
surement of dripsticks after
the fuel-measurement system
became inoperative before
take-off.

The audit team was led by
Robert Buck, for 37 years a
pilot and captain with TWA.

Other members were pilots
and engineers from Boeing
and McDonnell Douglas, and
two observers from the Cana-
dian Department of Trans-
port. Buck said that his team
had "never seen a better
airline", and was somewhat
concerned that the very
positive findings might look
like a "whitewash job". He
emphasised that Air Canada
crews were "among the finest
in the world", with more thor-
ough training "than any of us
have ever seen". Negative
findings were that Air Canada
had mixed metric-standard
767s with non-metric aircraft,
and that the airline's flight
crews did not exchange infor-
mation as much as they
should.

Avmark Services wins its case
MIAMI

Avmark Services Inc has won
a Southern Florida District
Court case over its use of the
Avmark name, mark, and
logo. The company's presi-
dent, Jordan A. Greene, has
also been awarded almost
$110,000 in damages against
Avmark Inc, which initiated a
service mark infringement
action against Greene. He
made a counterclaim for
breach of contract and for
misrepresentation. Avmark
Inc's claim was dismissed, but
Greene's was upheld.

Earlier this year Flight

published a letter by Avmark
Inc president Morton S.
Beyer, claiming that Greene
was making unauthorised use
of the Avmark name, mark,
and logo. The letter followed a
story in which we had abbre-
viated Avmark Services' name
to Avmark.
The Court found that
Avmark Services Inc made
use of the Avmark name and
logo with the complete know-
ledge and agreement of
Avmark Inc. Indeed, the latter
published a newsletter in
February 1982 announcing
the formation of Avmark
Services as an affiliate com-
pany, with that company's
name accompanied by the
identical service mark and
logo on the letterhead. The
Court noted that Avmark
Inc's business had greatly
increased as a result of Greene
joining the company origi-
nally, and that Avmark Inc
had wanted to keep its name
associated with his reputation
and expertise.

Greene's breach of contract
and misrepresentation claim
concerned aircraft appraisal
and aircraft value analysis
and forecasting work
normally performed by
Greene on behalf of Avmark
Inc. During the negotiation
of a new contract setting
out Greene's responsibilities
to Avmark and to his
own company, Salair —
Avmark Services' predecessor
- i n 1981, Avmark itself
carried out appraisal con-
tracts for several airlines
without referring the business
to Greene, contrary to the
agreement.

This is what the
Los Angeles Inter-
national Airport
central terminal
area will look like
upon completion
next year in time for
the Olympic Games.
The Games start in
Los Angeles on July
27, 1984, and they
have helped to direct
the motives of local
authorities, who
have been talking
about the need for a
new terminal since
1971. The terminal
will cost $700 million

Jordan Greene comments
in a letter to Flight: "As you
can see, the Federal Court
completely vindicated Av-
mark Services, Inc and myself
and found against Mr Beyer
and Avmark Inc for their
business conduct, as well as
the court findings as to who
really did the appraisals, fore-
casts, etc. and in fact devel-
oped the business over the
past few decades.

"Additionally, the world
marketplace has affirmed the
Federal Court by their trans-
actions and proved myself and
Avmark Services, Inc correct
in our appraisals and forecasts
of aircraft and their values,
rather than the represent-
ations in the Flight Inter-
national article by Mr Beyer."

MARKETPLACE

Israel Aircraft Industries
has signed a $10 million
contract for the sale of four
Aravas to Liberia. Under the
agreement three of the
aircraft will go the country's
national airline, Air Liberia,
and one to its Armed Forces.
Included in the deal is crew
training maintenance assis-

tance, spare parts, and technical support. IAI says it is

hoped that the sale would
encourage other African coun-
tries to consider the Arava.
The first Arava will be deliv-
ered in December and the
remaining three will be
accepted in early 1984.

Air Algerie has ordered
three Boeing 737-200s from
the manufacturer. Air Algerie,
one of Boeing's largest
customers in Africa with 11
727s and 14 737s, is taking
delivery of all three aircraft
this month. The order is
valued at $50 million. To date
Boeing holds orders for 1,102
737 aircraft.

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People
Charlotte Peters has been
appointed vice-president re-
servations for World Airways.
Peters, World's first female
v-p, will have overall
responsibility for over 300
staff in World's reservation
centres at Oakland, Newark
Honolulu, London, and
Frankfurt. Also at World
John D. Phillips has been
named senior vice-president
finance. Phillips joins World
after 11 years with
Continental Airlines.

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