



## AFA-CWA LEC ALERT

Local Executive Council 43, Honolulu-Base

December 26, 2021

**re: Weight & Balance (717), update**

Dear Fellow Flight Attendants:

Many of our Flight Attendants have reported to the Council 43 and the MEC leaderships that there were jumpseat denials particularly on our Inter-Island flights in the past few days. Please know that the MEC is working with the company to understand and resolve any issues.

The company has advised the MEC that an increase in average weights have negatively affected our flights. This meant that the company made adjustments last week by reducing freight, moving guests' originally assigned seats, removing revenue passengers and also denying non-revenue passengers.

The MEC has informed Flight Attendants that there is contractual language found in Section 30. Benefits, G. Cabin Jump Seat Authority,

*4. There shall be no weight and balance restriction from utilizing the Flight Attendant jumpseats for non-revenue travel on B717, A320 family, B737 family, A330, A350, and B787-9 aircraft operating interisland. In the event weight and balance restrictions limit an International flight operated by any aircraft such that not all cockpit and cabin jumpseats may be occupied, Flight Attendant seniority date shall be the date used for Flight Attendants to determine priority, compared to Hawaiian Airlines pilots, for being accommodated.*

We understand the confusion and frustration this company adjustment has caused, and we look forward to an update from the MEC once they have one. Until then, please document any jumpseat denials to: [communications@hawaiianmec.org](mailto:communications@hawaiianmec.org)

Stronger Together, Better Together,  
Jaci-Ann, Kahea, Kerri and  
The Entire Council 43 Leadership Team

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