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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Airside Incident at Grand Cayman Airport

**Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (9 February 2024)** The Cayman Islands Airports Authority (CIAA), which operates the Owen Roberts International Airport (ORIA) on Grand Cayman and the Charles Kirkconnell International Airport (CKIA) on Cayman Brac, experienced an airside incident today, 9 February 2024, that occurred at Owen Roberts International Airport at 12:51 p.m. which affected flight operations for approximately 20 minutes while Cayman Islands Fire Service was diverted to the scene.

The incident occurred when a Delta 737-900 aircraft originating from Atlanta, GA made contact with a stairs truck owned by their ground handling service provider FADS, which was staged on the apron, resulting in damage to the aircraft wing as it parked and causing the truck to tip over.

No injuries have been reported, and a full investigation is underway. Flight operations returned to normal at 1:22 p.m. with no further disruptions to service. Delta has arranged for a relief flight for those passengers who remain in Grand Cayman and were originally scheduled to depart on Delta flight DL 1870 to Atlanta, GA.

CIAA officials stated, "The safety and security of our passengers is our top priority. We are conducting a thorough investigation to understand the circumstances that led to this occurrence and collaborating closely with airport partners to prevent such incidents in the future."



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