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JUST TO SAY THANK YOU.

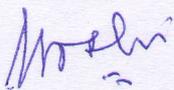
Dear Mr. Thomas,

A friend of mine had motivated me to become a member of the FIP. I had never heard of this federation and wanted to know the benefits of joining it, when my own company provided the loss of licence (LOL) insurance. My friend convinced me to join, as he said that the policy through the FIP was not tied to the employer, i.e. it would continue to be 'live' even on changing employers, unlike the case with an employer's policy. I understood the logic and opted for the LOL policy through FIP.

Unfortunately, I was declared temporarily unfit for 'Ischaemic heart disease' during my routine medical and had to go through bypass surgery. FIP was very prompt and helpful in ensuring that I was paid the dues as per the terms and conditions of my cover. A year later I went through the review medical and was unfortunately not cleared for flying on account of 'Coronary artery disease'. Career wise, it was a major setback for me. However, FIP ensured that I was financially compensated by ensuring that I was paid the full and final LOL claim in a reasonable amount of time. I would like to place on record my appreciation for the meticulous and hassle free service rendered by FIP in general and its manager, Mr Thomas Colacco, in particular.

I am glad that I did listen to my friend and would, in turn, like to urge all pilots to join the FIP – an organisation that works towards the best interests of the aviation sector in general and pilots in particular.

With Regards,



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