Western Air STAFF's Reply to Mrs. Rolle *Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 1:51pm* 

This may seem funny to some but this is my humorous way of saying what really goes on at Western Air. So if you don't laugh you'll cry.

We are sorry Master

An observation from the point of view of the slave...

I really could not believe that someone who is supposed to be or wants to be considered an educated person could be so unattached from her work force that she would make the comments that she did, so hence the title "we are sorry master."

To the hard working pilots and flight attendants of Western Air I would like to take the time now to say am sorry, I read what was emailed out by our master and it got to me that even though we all knew they felt that way I didn't think she would ever really be dumb enough to actually put it in writing, so after thinking about it for a few days here is my response. Again sorry for the term slaves but truly that must be what we really are.

We report to work at 6:30am and we do what we do best we fly.

We fly in weather that puts us on the far side of Abaco to go to Freeport in some airplanes where the radar is not working properly but we go because we try to maintain the already impossible schedule.

We fly for a company whose only interests is flight 500 and 502 as those are the money flights to San Andros and lord help if they are late because there is hell to pay as lord knows we have to keep the boss Bounty chocolate bar money straight.

We are sorry Master that all we want is a salary not the day to day pay that you think is best for us.

When we don't work you don't pay and sorry to say but we see where you have loaded the roster with pilots so that they can fight for days just so that

they can feed their families.

We are sorry that we would like to have a paid vacation and not have to worry about trying to scrap days together before we leave just to cover us for the days that we dare not to be available when you may smile upon us and allow us to fly.

We are sorry that when it comes to investing in Bahamian pilots you would chose to pay 10,000 dollars for a work permit for an alcoholic pilot who did nothing but get drunk and locked up on ever island you put him on.

We are sorry that he did not stay the full year, but you see we think when he realized that body slamming an 86 year old women who only weights 100lbs soak and wet could end with him in jail we think flying drunk daily was the least of his problems, but going to jail was a no no, so he returned to his country of origin until the matter cooled off, but trust me Master he knows when he gets fired from the next job you will take him back as long as he goes to Alcoholics Anonymous again for the tenth time.

Master, we are sorry you went on TV and talked about the scholarship program Western Air has to help the youth learn how to fly, but those poor misguided youth are paying you back every cent with interest just like you planned and that's why they fight so hard for work days because even though they only work 4 days a pay period your money comes out first and then they get the couple dollars no am sorry I misspoke couple cents change. Am not too smart Master, but am sure that's not how a scholarship works.

Master, we are sorry that when our recurrent training is due you wait for a group of us pilots to go off line without pay before you decide to bless us by paying for the training. We are eternally grateful Master, but the bank does not understand that I may not have their money in another month or two for the mortgage, and the wife and kids do not understand because they need to eat, and Master B.E.C. has no mercy. But I know that you only pay for training when our grace month is past due and at least three maybe four of us our offline.

Master, don't worry because we will find a rundown motel in the ghetto for 50 dollars because that is what you give us for the room and hopefully the airport shuttle passes that way because we have no money for a taxi to get us to the

training facility or the motel.

Master, you know those people in your home town must not know how great you treat us, that's why they did not vote for you in the last election because if they knew you would have surely won your seat in government.

Yes Master, you can start another business where more than likely you will mistreat those employees as well, but to my fellow pilots and flight attendants this is our time to end this and to stand up for what is right, as all we are asking for is what we deserve. We must come together and let this arrogant tyrant know that slavery is over!!!!

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