SAFETY INVESTIGATION INTO BOEING 737 MAX 8 ACCIDENT, REGISTERED ET-AVJ AND OPERATED BY ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES, ON 10/03/2019

Data from the FDR and CVR of flight ET302 of 10/03/19 has been transferred to the Ethiopian Accident Investigation Bureau by BEA as part of the investigation process.

The Ethiopian Accident Investigation Bureau « extends its deep appreciation to the BEA and the French Authorities for their cooperation and support in recovering the FDR and CVR data. »

As part of the recovery process, correct data extraction from both the FDR and CVR was verified by the Ethiopian Accident Investigation Bureau, BEA and NTSB. During the verification process of the FDR data, clear similarities were noted by the investigation team between Ethiopian Airlines Flight 302 and Lion Air Flight 610, which will be the subject of further study during the investigation.

BEA wishes to thank the Ethiopian Accident Investigation Bureau and the Ethiopian authorities as well for their trust.

The Ethiopian Accident Investigation Bureau intends to release a preliminary report within 30 days.

The Ethiopian Accident Investigation Bureau is leading the safety investigation. This communication is released in full coordination with this bureau.