AIA, on December 9th, 2023, welcomed the first Vincentian female pilot, Mrs Rochell Roache-Lanza on her first voyage to St. Vincent and the Grenadines as the First Officer of American Airlines flight 1427. Mrs Roache-Lanza was greeted with a water salute from the Fire-Fighting tenders at the airport. Upon disembarking the flight, a small welcome ceremony was held, which was streamed live across the nation. In attendance were Prime Minister, Hon. Ralph Gonsalves, Opposition Leader, Mr Godwin Friday, Rochell's mother, Marilyn Roache along with other family, friends and students of the Argyle Primary School.

Below are a few highlights from the ceremony.





Rochell originates from Bequia and a spirited delegation from Bequia also made the journey to AIA to be part of this momentous event.

