

Aer Lingus Group plc

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Traffic Statistics – February 2011

Dublin & London, 7 March 2011: Aer Lingus Group plc (“Aer Lingus”), today announced traffic statistics for the month of February 2011.

Aer Lingus’ booked load factor in February 2011 decreased by 2.5 points on February 2010 to 67.4%. Short haul booked load factor was 69.9%, a decrease of 0.9 points on February 2010, with capacity decreasing by 16.3% as a result of the industrial dispute at the start of the month with the IMPACT cabin crew union and planned year-on-year reductions at London Gatwick and Cork. Long haul booked load factor was 61.7%, a decrease of 6.0 points on February 2010, with capacity decreasing by 7.5% as a result of the industrial dispute at the start of the month with the IMPACT cabin crew union and planned year-on-year reductions at Shannon.

Aer Lingus’ total booked passenger numbers in February 2011 were 574,000, a decrease of 13.6% compared to February 2010. Short haul booked passengers were 536,000, a 13.3% decrease on February 2010 while long haul booked passengers in February 2011 were 38,000, a decrease of 17.4% on February 2010.

Detailed traffic statistics are set out on the following page. Attention is drawn to the notes at the foot of the table which explain the basis on which the figures have been prepared.

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Aer Lingus Scheduled Traffic Statistics ³

	February			Year-to-date		
	2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change
Passengers (thousands)¹						
Short haul	536	618	(13.3%)	1,040	1,226	(15.2%)
Long haul	38	46	(17.4%)	86	103	(16.5%)
Total	574	664	(13.6%)	1,126	1,329	(15.3%)
Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) (millions)¹						
Short haul	530	641	(17.3%)	1,033	1,280	(19.3%)
Long haul	205	243	(15.6%)	460	546	(15.8%)
Total	735	884	(16.9%)	1,493	1,826	(18.2%)
Available seat kilometres (ASKs) (millions)						
Short haul	758	906	(16.3%)	1,559	1,851	(15.8%)
Long haul	332	359	(7.5%)	720	811	(11.2%)
Total	1,090	1,265	(13.8%)	2,279	2,662	(14.4%)
Passenger load factor (%)²			% Points			% Points
Short haul	69.9	70.8	(0.9)	66.3	69.2	(2.9)
Long haul	61.7	67.7	(6.0)	63.9	67.3	(3.4)
Total	67.4	69.9	(2.5)	65.5	68.6	(3.1)

Detailed traffic statistics may be subject to change.

Notes

- 1 Earned seats and earned revenue passenger kilometres include seats and passenger kilometres respectively that are sold regardless of whether the passenger shows for a flight, as once a flight has departed the passenger is generally not entitled to change flights or obtain a refund.
- 2 Earned revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres
- 3 Aer Lingus' scheduled traffic statistics do not include traffic carried on Aer Lingus Regional Services operated by Aer Arann or traffic carried on the Washington Dulles – Madrid codeshare service operated in partnership with United Airlines.

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