

Aer Lingus Group plc

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Traffic Statistics – February 2012

Dublin & London, 6 March 2012: Aer Lingus Group plc (“Aer Lingus”), today announced traffic statistics for the month of February 2012.

Total flown passenger numbers, including Aer Lingus Regional operations, increased by 8.8% in February 2012. Aer Lingus’ total flown passenger numbers, in February 2012 were 599,000, an increase of 7.5% compared to February 2011. Short haul flown passengers in February 2012 were 554,000, an increase of 6.9% on February 2011, while long haul flown passengers in February 2012 were 45,000, an increase of 15.4% on February 2011.

Aer Lingus’ flown passenger load factor in February 2012 increased by 1.0 point on February 2011 to 67.3%. Short haul flown load factor was 68.5%, an increase of 0.6 points on February 2011, with capacity increasing by 5.9%. Long haul flown load factor was 64.9%, an increase of 2.2 points on February 2011, with capacity increasing by 11.4% on February 2011.

Aer Lingus Regional’s total flown passenger numbers in February 2012 were 59,000, an increase of 22.9% compared to February 2011.

Detailed traffic statistics are set out on the following page. Attention is drawn to the notes at the foot of the tables 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		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Passengers (thousands)¹						
Short haul	554	518	6.9%	1,069	1,002	6.7%
Long haul	45	39	15.4%	94	87	8.0%
Total	599	557	7.5%	1,163	1,089	6.8%
Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) (millions)¹						
Short haul	550	515	6.8%	1,074	1,000	7.4%
Long haul	240	208	15.4%	499	463	7.8%
Total	790	723	9.3%	1,573	1,463	7.5%
Available seat kilometres (ASKs) (millions)						
Short haul	803	758	5.9%	1,641	1,559	5.3%
Long haul	370	332	11.4%	789	720	9.6%
Total	1,173	1,090	7.6%	2,430	2,279	6.6%
Passenger load factor (%)²			% Points			% Points
Short haul	68.5	67.9	0.6	65.4	64.1	1.3
Long haul	64.9	62.7	2.2	63.2	64.3	(1.1)
Total	67.3	66.3	1.0	64.7	64.2	0.5

Detailed traffic statistics may be subject to change.

Aer Lingus Regional Scheduled Traffic Statistics

	February			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Passengers (thousands)¹	59	48	22.9%	111	90	23.3%

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Total Aer Lingus Traffic Statistics including Aer Lingus Regional

	February			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Passengers (thousands)¹	658	605	8.8%	1,274	1,179	8.1%

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Notes

- 1 Aer Lingus presents its monthly scheduled traffic statistics on the basis of passengers flown in the relevant month. This represents a change in our reporting as in previous traffic statistics announcements we reported on the basis of passengers booked to fly in the month.
- 2 Revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres
- 3 Aer Lingus' scheduled traffic statistics do not include traffic carried on the Washington Dulles – Madrid codeshare service operated in partnership with United Airlines.

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