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## **Traffic Statistics – October 2012**

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

Total flown passenger numbers, including Aer Lingus Regional operations, increased by 0.9% to 962,000 in October 2012 compared to October 2011.

Short haul flown passengers, including Aer Lingus Regional, in October 2012 were 876,000, an increase of 0.1% on October 2011, while long haul flown passengers in October 2012 were 86,000, an increase of 10.3% on October 2011.

Aer Lingus mainline’s flown passenger load factor in October 2012 increased by 1.5 points on October 2011 to 79.2%. Short haul flown load factor was 77.4%, a decrease of 1.7 points on October 2011, with capacity decreasing by 1.3%. Long haul flown load factor was 83.0%, an increase of 8.3 points on October 2011, with capacity decreasing by 0.7% on prior year.

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 Mainline Traffic Statistics <sup>3</sup>

	October			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
<b>Passengers (thousands)<sup>1</sup></b>						
Short haul	787	809	(2.7%)	7,504	7,454	0.7%
Long haul	86	78	10.3%	818	754	8.5%
Total	873	887	(1.6%)	8,322	8,208	1.4%
<b>Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) (millions)<sup>1</sup></b>						
Short haul	875	906	(3.4%)	8,287	8,182	1.3%
Long haul	450	408	10.3%	4,282	3,963	8.1%
Total	1,325	1,314	0.8%	12,569	12,145	3.5%
<b>Available seat kilometres (ASKs) (millions)</b>						
Short haul	1,130	1,145	(1.3%)	10,853	10,863	0.0%
Long haul	542	546	(0.7%)	5,183	5,066	2.3%
Total	1,672	1,691	(1.1%)	16,036	15,929	0.7%
<b>Passenger load factor (%)<sup>2</sup></b>			% Points			% Points
Short haul	77.4	79.1	(1.7)	76.4	75.3	1.1
Long haul	83.0	74.7	8.3	82.6	78.2	4.4
Total	79.2	77.7	1.5	78.4	76.2	2.2

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### Aer Lingus Regional Scheduled Traffic Statistics

	October			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
<b>Passengers (thousands)<sup>1</sup></b>						
	89	66	34.9%	841	629	33.7%

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### Total Aer Lingus Traffic Statistics including Aer Lingus Regional

	October			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
<b>Passengers (thousands)<sup>1</sup></b>						
	962	953	0.9%	9,163	8,837	3.7%

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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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