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Traffic Statistics – March 2013

Dublin & London, 5 April 2013: Aer Lingus Group plc (“Aer Lingus”), today announced traffic statistics for the month of March 2013.

Total flown passenger numbers, including Aer Lingus Regional operations, increased by 4.3% to 844,000 in March 2013 compared to March 2012.

Short haul flown passengers, including Aer Lingus Regional, in March 2013 were 761,000, an increase of 3.4% on March 2012, while long haul flown passengers in March 2013 were 83,000, an increase of 13.7% on March 2012.

Aer Lingus mainline’s flown passenger load factor in March 2013 increased by 4.1 points on March 2012 to 79.9%. Short haul flown load factor was 77.3%, an increase of 4.7 points on March 2012, with capacity decreasing by 7.0%. Long haul flown load factor was 84.4%, an increase of 2.4 points on March 2012, with capacity increasing by 9.5% 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 ²

	March			Year-to-date		
	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change
Passengers (thousands)						
Short haul	674	663	1.7%	1,724	1,732	(0.5%)
Long haul	83	73	13.7%	181	167	8.4%
Total	757	736	2.9%	1,905	1,899	0.3%
Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) (millions)						
Short haul	666	673	(1.0%)	1,677	1,746	(4.0%)
Long haul	437	388	12.6%	963	887	8.6%
Total	1,103	1,061	4.0%	2,640	2,633	0.3%
Available seat kilometres (ASKs) (millions)						
Short haul	862	927	(7.0%)	2,388	2,568	(7.0%)
Long haul	518	473	9.5%	1,306	1,262	3.5%
Total	1,380	1,400	(1.4%)	3,694	3,830	(3.6%)
Passenger load factor (%) ¹			% Points			% Points
Short haul	77.3	72.6	4.7	70.2	68.0	2.2
Long haul	84.4	82.0	2.4	73.8	70.3	3.5
Total	79.9	75.8	4.1	71.4	68.7	2.7

Detailed traffic statistics may be subject to change.

Aer Lingus Regional Scheduled Traffic Statistics

	March			Year-to-date		
	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change
Passengers (thousands)	87	73	19.2%	224	184	21.7%

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Total Aer Lingus Traffic Statistics including Aer Lingus Regional

	March			Year-to-date		
	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change
Passengers (thousands)	844	809	4.3%	2,129	2,083	2.2%

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Notes

- 1 Revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres
- 2 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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