## **Aer Lingus Group plc**

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## Traffic Statistics – February 2013

**Dublin & London, 6 March 2013:** Aer Lingus Group plc ("Aer Lingus"), today announced traffic statistics for the month of February 2013.

Total flown passenger numbers, including Aer Lingus Regional operations, decreased by 1.5% to 648,000 in February 2013 compared to February 2012. It should be noted that there were 28 days in February 2013 compared with 29 days in February 2012.

Aer Lingus' mainline short haul flown passengers in February 2013 were 532,000, a decrease of 3.9% on February 2012. Short haul capacity in the month (as measured by ASKs) decreased by 9.7%. However, network changes reduced average sector length leading to an increase in load factor of 1.5 points compared with February 2012.

Long haul flown passengers in February 2013 were 43,000, a decrease of 4.4% on February 2012. Long haul capacity in the month decreased by 3.5% resulting in a 0.1 point increase in long haul load factor compared with February 2012.

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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	February			Year-to-date			
	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change	
Passengers (thousands)						Ū	
Short haul	532	554	(3.9%)	1,050	1,069	(1.8%)	
Long haul	43	45	(4.4%)	98	94	4.3%	
Total	575	599	(4.0%)	1,148	1,163	(1.3%)	
Revenue passenger							
kilometres (RPKs) (millions)							
Short haul	508	550	(7.6%)	1,010	1,074	(6.0%)	
Long haul	232	240	(3.3%)	526	499	5.4%	
Total	740	790	(6.3%)	1,536	1,573	(2.4%)	
Available seat kilometres							
(ASKs) (millions)							
Short haul	725	803	(9.7%)	1,526	1,641	(7.0%)	
ong haul	357	370	(3.5%)	788	789	0.0%	
Total	1,082	1,173	(7.8%)	2,314	2,430	(4.8%)	
Passenger load factor (%) <sup>1</sup>			% Points			% Points	
Short haul	70.0	68.5	1.5	66.2	65.4	8.0	
₋ong haul	65.0	64.9	0.1	66.8	63.2	3.6	
Total	68.3	67.3	1.0	66.4	64.7	1.7	

	February			Year-to-date		
	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change
Passengers (thousands)	73	59	23.7%	138	111	24.3%

Detailed traffic statistics may be subject to change.

	February			Year-to-date		
	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change
Passengers (thousands)	648	658	(1.5%)	1,286	1,274	1.0%

## <u>Notes</u>

- Revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres
  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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