## **Aer Lingus Group plc**

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## **Traffic Statistics – October 2009**

**Dublin & London, 6 November 2009:** Aer Lingus Group plc ("Aer Lingus"), today announced traffic statistics for the month of October 2009.

Aer Lingus' total passenger numbers in October 2009 were 902,000 a decrease of 0.2% compared to October 2008. Short haul passengers were 821,000, a 3.3% increase on October 2008 and long haul passengers were 81,000, a 25.7% decrease on October 2008.

Aer Lingus' overall load factor in the month was 74.6%, an increase of 1.3 points compared to October 2008, with capacity decreasing by 10.4%. Short haul load factor was 77.0%, a decrease of 0.1 points on 2008, with capacity increasing by 6.0%. Long haul load factor was 70.1%, an increase of 1.3 points on 2008, with capacity decreasing by 30.4%.

Detailed traffic statistics are set out on the following page.

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	October			Year-to-date		
	2009	2008	Change %	2009	2008	Change %
Passengers (thousands) <sup>1</sup>						
Short haul	821	795	3.3	8,276	7,894	4.8
Long haul	81	109	(25.7)	922	1,085	(15.0)
Total	902	904	(0.2)	9,198	8,979	2.4
Revenue passenger						
kilometres (RPKs) (millions) <sup>1</sup>						
Short haul	885	836	5.9	8,898	8,245	7.9
Long haul	434	612	(29.1)	5,017	6,175	(18.8)
Total	1,319	1,448	(8.9)	13,915	14,420	(3.5)
Available seat kilometres						
(ASKs) (millions)						
Short haul	1,150	1,085	6.0	11,240	10,559	6.4
Long haul	619	890	(30.4)	6,982	8,656	(19.3)
Total	1,769	1,975	(10.4)	18,222	19,215	(5.2)
Passenger load factor (%) <sup>2</sup>			% Points			% Points
Short haul	77.0	77.1	(0.1)	79.2	78.1	1.1
Long haul	70.1	68.8	1.3	71.9	71.3	0.6
Total	74.6	73.3	1.3	76.4	75.0	1.4

## **Notes**

- 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