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COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

Malta International Airport plc (the "Company")

Traffic Results – August 2013

Date:

Reference:

In Terms of Chapter 5 of the Listing Rules

More than the equivalent of Malta's entire population passed through the airport last month: a record total of 507,646 passengers.

August 2013 will therefore go down in history as the best month ever for Malta International Airport.

By comparison, ten years ago the airport had a throughput of 355,000 passenger movements in August. This reflects an increase of 43 per cent, or 152,000 passenger movements.

"These figures are a reflection of Malta's exceptional recent performance in the tourism industry," said MIA CEO Markus Klaushofer.

"MIA is constantly investing our marketing initiatives, airport infrastructure and providing a high quality service to hundreds of thousands of passengers who keep coming back."

"The results fill us with enthusiasm to keep upping our game. We provide the first and last impression to every tourist who visits Malta and we accept that hugely important commitment with pride and dedication," he added.

Tourism Minister Karmenu Vella warmly welcomed the announcement which he described as a milestone for MIA and the tourism industry as a whole. He said this year's results were extremely positive and emphasised that more effort would now be made to continue increasing numbers in the shoulder and winter months to further ensure the sustainability of this vital industry for Malta's economy.



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Malta Tourism Authority CEO Josef Formosa Gauci said the excellent results in August and previous months this year were a result of the collaboration and work carried out by the Tourism Ministry, MTA and MIA.

"The right decisions were taken to increase seat capacity to Malta to enable such results," he said, adding that MTA would continue to work hard on accessibility and marketing to ensure these positive trends continue.

The driver behind August's record passenger movements came from an increase of 11.2 per cent in seat capacity - thanks in part to MIA's efforts to increase routes and airlines.

Passenger movements are calculated by adding the number of arrivals and departures, meaning a passenger who enters and leaves Malta in the same month is counted twice.

Four of Malta's five major markets registered growth in August. Italian passengers increased by 17.7 per cent, while passengers from France and Germany grew by 9 and 3.9 per cent respectively. The smallest growth was registered by UK passengers, an increase of 1.1 per cent.

Between January and August, this year has already seen an increase of 8.7 per cent over the same period last year. Aircraft movements registered an increase of 7 per cent while seat capacity is up by 8.5 per cent.

Overview							
	1 Jan - 31 Aug 2013	% Change*	1 Aug – 31 Aug 2013	% Change*			
Passenger Movements	2,705,436	8.7%	507,646	9.9%			
Aircraft Movements	20,732	7.0%	3,558	10.8%			
Cargo and Mail (in tonnes)	10,645	-7.2%	1,079	-13.1%			
Seat Capacity	3,467,453	8.5%	597,565	11.2%			
Seat Load Factor	78.0%	0.1 PPD	85.0%	-0.9 PPD			
MTOW (in tonnes)	1,727,669	7.1%	284,361	8.1%			

Overview

Top Destinations (by Country)

Country	1 Jan - 31 Aug 2013	% Change*	1 Aug – 31 Aug 2013	% Change*
UNITED KINGDOM	767,924	3.9%	123,580	1.1%
ITALY	493,177	16.8%	96,436	17.7%
GERMANY	372,712	-0.1%	69,654	3.9%
FRANCE	165,263	10.7%	33,486	9.0%
SPAIN	121,911	-3.5%	32,705	-0.2%



Top Destinations (by Airport)

Airport	1 Jan - 31 Aug 2013	% Change*	1 Aug – 31 Aug 2013	% Change*
LONDON - GATWICK	177,677	5.4%	26,466	0.7%
FRANKFURT	155,836	7.0%	29,564	31.7%
ROME - FIUMICINO	141,782	3.5%	25,875	3.2%
LONDON - HEATHROW	126,671	0.7%	17,338	2.0%
MANCHESTER	113,447	2.3%	17,190	-9.1%

*Compared to same period for 2012

Note: With the exception of cargo and mail and MTOW, all figures relate to scheduled & non-scheduled movements, excluding General Aviation.

For further information on traffic results, log on to <u>www.maltairport.com/statistics</u> or contact PR & Corporate Communications Department on 2369 6288.

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