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#### **COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT**

# Malta International Airport plc (the "Company")

# **Traffic Results - November 2018**

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### QUOTE

The winter season is off to a strong start at Malta International Airport, with November traffic reaching 453,563 passengers movements and registering an increase of 11.8% over the same month last year.

Passenger movement peaked on the 4th of November, which was the same day year-to-date traffic through Malta International Airport hit the 6 million passenger mark, surpassing the record-breaking 6,014,548 passenger movements recorded between January and December last year.

This growth in passenger numbers was driven mainly by the launch of a robust winter schedule, featuring an increased frequency of flights to several popular destinations, together with the extension of 12 summer routes into the winter season.

Aircraft movements rose by 10.4% to 3,357 take-offs and landings in November 2018, while seat capacity grew by 11.5%, when compared to 2017. On average almost 4 out of every 5 seats on board were occupied, bringing November's seat load factor (SLF) up to 79.2%.

With the United Kingdom holding on to the top spot, closely followed by Italy, Germany, France, and Spain, Malta International Airport's top five markets remained unchanged.

Four out of these five markets registered significant growth during November, ranging from 7.4% in the case of the United Kingdom to 66.5% in the case of Spain. The significant growth registered by the Spanish market is attributed to the extension of the Seville, Valencia and Malaga routes introduced in summer into the winter season, as well as the increased frequency of direct flights to Barcelona.

Germany was the only market among the airport's top five to register a 0.8% decline in passenger movements.

These results not only reflect a successful start to winter season for Malta International Airport, but also put the airport on the path to closing the year with another traffic record.



| NOVEMBER AT A GLANCE                |  |
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| Total Traffic                       | 453,563 passenger movements                  |
| Top Market                          | United Kingdom (109,476 passenger movements) |
| Most Popular Airport                | London Gatwick (26,339 passenger movements)  |
| Aircraft Movements                  | 3,357 take-offs and landings                 |
| Busiest Day                         | 04.11.2018 (20,717 passenger movements)      |
| Seat Capacity                       | 573,028 seats                                |
| Fastest-growing Market (from top 5) | Spain (+66.5%)                               |
| Cargo and Mail                      | 1,583 tonnes                                 |

## **UNQUOTE**

Signed:

Louis de Gabriele Company Secretary

#### **About Malta International Airport**

Malta International Airport connects the Maltese archipelago to over 100 destinations in more than 30 countries. Being Malta's only air terminal, the airport hosts more than six million passengers annually, of which the majority are inbound tourists. To be able to cater for an ever-increasing number of passengers, the company has consistently invested in the terminal since the airport's privatisation in 2002, with the Terminal Reconfiguration Project set to be completed in 2018 bringing about the most recent overhaul. The airport campus itself has grown to provide over 1,500 parking spaces, and 14,000m² of office and retail space housed within SkyParks Business Centre, with projects in the offing set to bring about further expansion. The airport team is guided by a vision of service excellence, which has landed MIA among the top five airports in ACI's prestigious Airport Service Quality Awards for the past nine years. To maximise its contribution to Malta's cultural heritage and environment, MIA set up the Malta Airport Foundation, an independently run non-profit organisation, which will be unveiling three projects in 2018.

Malta International Airport plc is a public company listed on the Malta Stock Exchange, with its shareholders being the Malta Mediterranean Link Consortium (40%), with Flughafen Wien AG owning a 96% share, the Government of Malta (20%), the general public (29.9%), and VIE Malta Limited (10.1%).

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