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#### **COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT**

### Malta International Airport plc (the "Company")

# **Traffic Results – August 2018**

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#### QUOTE

Traffic through Malta International Airport continued on its upward trend, with passenger movements reaching 759,547 in August. Translating into an increase of 9.5 per cent over the same month last year, this total was yet another traffic record for the airport.

The August holiday rush kept the Malta International Airport team busy with an average of 24,502 daily passenger movements.

This rise in passenger traffic was observed in parallel with a 9.7 per cent increase in aircraft movements, with the airfield experiencing over 5,000 take-offs and landings during the month.

While seat capacity grew by 10.5 per cent, seat load factor (SLF) dropped by 0.7 percentage points, when compared with the same month last year, to stand at 87.4 per cent.

The top drivers of traffic for August were the United Kingdom (+12.1 per cent), Italy (+16.2 per cent), Germany (-11.0 per cent), France (+2.5 per cent) and Spain (+30.0 per cent).

According to the 2018 Summer Season Travel Report, Malta has been gaining ground with British leisure travellers, featuring among the top 10 fastest-growing destinations for the summer season with a 13.7 per cent growth rate.

Spain's noteworthy performance can be partly attributed to the fact that Spanish routes increased with the introduction of flights to Bilbao, Malaga, and Seville. The French route network was also widened with the launch of three scheduled services to Paris-Beauvais, Nice, and Lourdes, contributing to the market's 2.5per cent growth.



AUGUST AT A GLANCE	
Total Traffic	759,547 passenger movements
Top Market	United Kingdom (181,102 passenger movements)
Most Popular Airport	Rome, Fiumicino (42,967 passenger movements)
Aircraft Movements	5,072 take-offs & landings
Seat Capacity	869,762 seats
Fastest-growing Market (from top 5)	Spain (30.0 per cent)
Cargo and Mail	1,536 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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