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Record-Breaking One Million Passengers Served in May

(New Orleans, LA) – The Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport set a new record by serving more than one million passengers in May 2016. This is the first time in the Airport’s history that over one million passengers traveled through the Airport in a one month period. This record represents a 10.6% increase in total enplanements compared to May 2015.

This achievement can be attributed to the ever-growing list of destinations and airlines the Airport offers. In April alone, the Airport welcomed new non-stop flights to five destinations. Spirit Airlines began additional daily flights to Atlanta and Los Angeles from New Orleans. Allegiant Air began flights to Jacksonville, Florida, a new destination. Frontier Airlines added flights to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Orlando, Florida, increasing the number of carriers providing flights to these cities. With the recent announcement of non-stop service to Germany on Condor starting next summer, the Airport has an all-time record high of 54 non-stop destinations on 15 airlines.

“New Orleans is welcoming visitors at a rapid pace,” said New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu. “May was a record-setting month for our Airport and a testament to how integral it is to our city and state. With new direct flights coming online and the new North Terminal project underway, our future is bright.”

“The Airport has experienced continuous growth since 2010. Last year, the Airport had a record breaking year with over 10.6 million passengers traveling through the Airport,” said New Orleans Aviation Board Chairwoman, Cheryl Teamer. “We are excited to see this upward trend continue as we strive to reach new record highs.”

“New Orleans is more accessible than ever before. With more non-stop flights operating from the Airport, passengers from all over the country are able to visit our City with more ease than ever,” said New Orleans Councilman Jared Brossett, Chair of the Transportation and Aviation Committee.

“Air travel is being redefined as the way to travel. With the emergence of low cost carriers, more people are able to afford flying,” said Iftikhar Ahmad, Director of Aviation for Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport. “This, along with the addition of several new destinations this year, has contributed to the significant growth of travel at the Airport. Now with record totals of 15 airlines and 54 non-stop destinations at Armstrong International, we are on track to see additional growth.”

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