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AIRPORT REPORT

THE WORLD IS WAITING

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The Airport is reaching new heights. With several recent inaugural flights and new service announcements, the Airport now offers service to a total of 54 non-stop destinations on 15 airlines including 5 non-stop international destinations.

The Airport recently made a historic announcement about new non-stop service with Condor airlines to Frankfurt, Germany. This is the first non-stop flight to Europe from New Orleans in more than 25 years. Condor is a premier leisure airline that transports passengers to the best vacation destinations worldwide. Condor has an extensive network of partner airlines that allows travellers connectivity to over 120 destinations throughout Europe, Africa, and Asia.

Condor passengers will travel on a Boeing 767-300ER aircraft equipped with 259 seats. Passengers can choose from Business Class, Premium Economy Class, and Economy Class. Condor's Business Class features 170 degree reclining seats, large HD screens, and a five-course meal with an exclusive selection of beverages. Premium Economy Class receives a free headset and free premium meals and drinks. Condor's Economy Class provides all of the essentials needed for an international flight for a great price, with a variety of extras that can be purchased separately so passengers have the flexibility to select those amenities for their travel.

Condor will begin its non-stop service to Frankfurt, Germany, on May 3, 2017, with rates starting at \$399. Passengers can book flights to many other European destinations by connecting in Frankfurt to their final destination. Connections through Frankfurt are much like connecting domestically. Luggage will be sent to the final destination and passengers only go through immigration and customs when they have reached their final destination. Visit www.Condor.com to book your flight to any Condor travel destination in Europe or beyond.

GLO recently began non-stop service to Destin-Fort Walton Beach, Florida. This seasonal flight operates Mondays and Fridays on select dates through September 5, 2016. GLO is a New Orleans-owned and based company that offers non-stop flights to regional destinations like Memphis, Tennessee, Shreveport, Louisiana, and Little Rock, Arkansas. GLO operates a fleet of 30-passenger Saab 340Bs that provide passengers with efficient and relaxing travel. Tickets on GLO are only available directly from their website, so please visit www.FlyGLO.com to book your trip.

Branson Air Express resumed seasonal service to Branson, Missouri, for the second year in a row. These flights will continue through August 14, 2016, and are offered four days per week. To purchase tickets, please visit www.BransonAirExpress.com.

Other seasonal international destinations from New Orleans include Cancun, Mexico, and Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. Several carriers including Vacation Express, Delta Airlines, and United Airlines provide service to Cancun, Mexico. Vacation Express also offers seasonal service with flights once a week to Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. Find Vacation Express's all-inclusive vacation packages offered to these popular international destinations on their website www.VacationExpress.com.

In September, JetBlue will celebrate 15 years of providing service from Armstrong International. This is a significant milestone and we hope to maintain this great relationship with JetBlue as they continue to expand in New Orleans. JetBlue offers flights to Boston and New York City from New Orleans and are beginning flights to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, starting September 29, 2016. To view ticket options for any of these destinations, please visit www.JetBlue.com. ✈



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