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## **Choice Aire Begins Non-stop Flights from New Orleans to San Pedro Sula, Honduras**

**New Orleans** – On December 17, 2016, Choice Aire, operated by XTRA Airways, officially began non-stop service from New Orleans to San Pedro Sula, Honduras. This new non-stop flight departs twice-weekly on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 3:45 p.m. from Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) and arrives at Ramón Villeda Morales International Airport (SAP) at 6:15 p.m.

Choice Aire operates a 150-seat Boeing 737-400 with 12 first class seats and 138 coach seats for the flight. Round-trip fares start at \$499 and include one free carry-on and one free checked bag, as well as a snack and beverage during the flight. Connections with Choice Aire from San Pedro Sula to Tegucigalpa, Roatán, La Ceiba, Puerto Lempira, and Útila will be available soon.

“Choice Aire and our dedicated team of professionals are excited and privileged to be able to offer the New Orleans and surrounding communities a quality, economical, and much needed nonstop flight to the beautiful country of Honduras,” said Danny Looney, CEO of Choice Air. “No longer will the leisure or business traveler have to connect to go from MSY to SAP. Choice also offers easy connections to many airports in Honduras through our regional Airline Partners. With our very competitive ticket pricing and bag policy, we want to be your Honduras transportation provider. We offer a very generous Passenger/Business Loyalty program that is unmatched in the industry and are extremely proud of our service and customer dedication. Visit your local travel agency or book direct online with Choice Aire at [www.flychoiceaire.com](http://www.flychoiceaire.com). Give us a try. We want to earn your trust and support.”

Michael J. Hackert, XTRA Vice President of Sales and Services said, "XTRA Airways is proud to partner with Choice Aire Charter. This opportunity to work with Choice Aire is a long time in the making and gives everyone at XTRA Airways a true sense of pride. We are confident the combined strengths of XTRA and Choice Aire will provide an outstanding guest experience on our flights from New Orleans to San Pedro Sula, Honduras. XTRA's pristine fleet of Boeing 737-400s which feature 12 luxurious first class seats and 138 roomy standard class seats, coupled with our world class flight attendants and pilots will certainly spoil the market."

“I’m thrilled to see non-stop service to Honduras returning to New Orleans for the first time since Hurricane Katrina,” said New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu. "This new flight is a testament that our city is fully connected with the global community to help leverage both business and leisure opportunities.”

“This new international service to Honduras is a great addition to the Airport’s list of non-stop destinations,” said New Orleans Aviation Board Chairwoman, Cheryl Teamer. “With the largest Honduran population outside of Honduras residing in the Greater New Orleans area, this flight will undoubtedly have a great benefit for our community.”

“We are excited to celebrate the launch of flights from New Orleans to San Pedro Sula, Honduras,” said New Orleans Councilman Jared Brossett, Chair of the Transportation and Aviation Committee. “The addition of this non-stop flight will allow travelers more convenient access to Honduras.”

“We welcome Choice Aire to New Orleans and are very pleased to add yet another non-stop international destination for travelers to visit,” said Mark Reis, Interim Director of Aviation for Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport.

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