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Condor Airlines Returning with Flights to Frankfurt, Germany in Summer 2018

(New Orleans, LA) – Condor Airlines is excited to announce its 2018 flight schedule with twice-weekly flights operating on Thursdays and Sundays from May 17, 2018, through September 30, 2018, from Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) to Frankfurt International Airport (FRA). Flights on Thursdays and Sundays will depart New Orleans at 5:55 p.m. and arrive in Frankfurt the next day at 10:40 a.m., and depart Frankfurt at 11:50 a.m. on Thursdays and Sundays and arrive in New Orleans at 3:55 p.m. the same day. Condor offers flights beyond Frankfurt to over 120 destinations across Europe at exceptional rates through interline partnerships. Condor passengers can earn and redeem miles in the Star Alliance Miles and More frequent flyer program and Alaska Airlines' MileagePlan.

"I'm thrilled that Condor Airlines will resume its transatlantic, non-stop flights in May 2018," said **Mayor Mitch Landrieu**. "These non-stop flights to Frankfurt will continue to open gateways to new international markets and create jobs and new opportunities. Just in time for our tricentennial celebration in 2018, this will poise New Orleans to welcome even more international travelers to our world-class city."

Condor provides a superior passenger experience onboard its 259-seat Boeing 767-300ER. Service is offered in three classes, business, premium, and economy. In each of its three classes of service, Condor provides complimentary checked baggage, beverages, meals, and in-flight entertainment for all passengers. Business Class passengers have access to priority check-in and business class lounges at most airports, as well as reclining seats and a five course meal onboard the flight. Premium Class features added legroom, leg rests, and adjustable headrests plus premium meals and more onboard the flight.

"We are very pleased that Condor Airlines will be returning with service to Frankfurt in 2018, and look forward to continuing this great partnership into the future," said **Kevin Dolliole, Director of Aviation for Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport**. "We encourage the community to experience Condor and the exceptional service they offer. Germany is just a flight away!"

"We are happy to continue our flights from New Orleans to Frankfurt in the next summer season and being able to offer our customers a smart choice for their transatlantic travels two times a week. Our Condor flights still are the only nonstop service from New Orleans to Germany and the bookings so far clearly showed that Louisianans love our service. With our partner carriers we provide seamless connections to cities like Prague, Venice, Berlin, Paris, Rome, Barcelona, and in total more than hundred destinations in Europe," said **Jens Boyd, Director Long Haul & Revenue Management Thomas**

Cook Group Airlines. “Condor’s recent growth was particularly strong in the US and Canada as European destinations pop up on more and more Americans’ travel lists. Our network consists of 16 destinations in North America today, such as Seattle, Pittsburgh, Vancouver and the new addition of Phoenix, which will be launched in summer 2018.”

Condor’s 2017 season came to a close on October 4, 2017, but tickets are available now for purchase for the summer 2018 season at www.condor.com, in a travel agency or by phone at 1-866-960-7915 – free of charge. Start planning your 2018 European vacation now.

“We would like to thank Condor Airlines for their continued commitment to our market,” said Cheryl Teamer, New Orleans Aviation Board Chairwoman. “Condor’s service from Frankfurt has made New Orleans accessible to countless new people across Europe, and we are thrilled that we will continue to welcome Condor passengers in 2018.”

About Condor

Condor Flugdienst GmbH has been flying its guests to the most beautiful holiday destinations in the world since 1956. The traditional airline is a 100 percent subsidiary of Thomas Cook GmbH. On an annual basis, more than seven million passengers fly with Condor to about 80 destinations in Europe, America, Africa and Asia. The route network of the holiday airline includes over 230 destinations through cooperations with airlines in the destination areas. Condor was merged with the airlines Thomas Cook Airlines UK, Thomas Cook Airlines Belgium and Thomas Cook Airlines Scandinavia in October 2013, to form the Thomas Cook Group Airlines. All companies within the Thomas Cook Group plc. are united under a common symbol: The Sunny Heart. To express their common identity, the aircraft of the Thomas Cook Group Airlines show the sunny heart on their aircraft trails. The sunny heart also shows that Condor is putting its heart into every flight. The fleet of the Thomas Cook Group is comprised of 94 modern and environmentally friendly aircraft, of which 44 aircraft are from the Condor fleet: nine Airbus A320s, seven Airbus A321s, ten Boeing 757-300s and eighteen Boeing 767-300s. The aircraft are maintained by the airlines’ own technical companies. The holiday airline has won numerous awards in recent years, including for the third year in a row, the award for being ‘Germany’s Most Popular Airline’.

About Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport

Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) is the primary commercial airport in the State of Louisiana serving over 80% of all passengers flying into the state. Armstrong International Airport is owned by the City of New Orleans. The New Orleans Aviation Board (NOAB), an unattached board of the City of New Orleans, oversees the administration, operation, and maintenance of Armstrong International. The Airport has 14 airlines providing service to 56 non-stop destinations, including six international destinations. A new world-class terminal complex is currently being constructed. The new North Terminal will be complete by February 2019. For more information, please visit www.flymsy.com.

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