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## AirBridgeCargo strengthens its Asian footprint by adding Ho Chi Minh City to its international network

Ho Chi Minh City – AirBridgeCargo Airlines is launching new freighter service to one of the busiest cities of Vietnam, thus increasing dedicated maindeck capacity to and from one of the major manufacturing hotspots in Asia and adding it to its international network of more than 30 destinations.



The flight will link customers from Singapore and Ho Chi Minh City with other destinations within ABC international network through cargo hub in Moscow on board one of its Boeing 747 freighters to

guarantee 48-hour delivery time, including ground handling. Ho Chi Minh City will become the 12th Asian online destination thus strongly reinforcing ABC presence in Asia.

"On the back of economy growth of more than 7% and increasing export volumes, Vietnam seems like the right place to offer direct freight services to other regions, especially Europe and the North America – something we can offer to the market with diversified number of destinations and high level of service quality, including for special cargoes. We have been expanding our network following our customers needs and expectations and segment-wise, we foresee support from companies specializing in electronics and garments shipments" – highlighted Sergey Lazarev, General Director of AirBridgeCargo Airlines.

Said Mr. Nguyen Nam Tien - Vice Director of Tan Son Nhat International Airport (TIA): "We greatly welcome AirBridgeCargo Airlines at our airport and Ho Chi Minh City market. We strongly believe that our cooperation will strengthen position of SGN airport, as most local freight forwarder will get access to direct freighter services to Russia, EU and North America. The ability and professional services of AirBridgeCargo Airlines together with the solid experience of the TIA will together facilitate market development of freight services in Vietnam and serve as a solid ground for Asia market.

We are very pleased to have been given the opportunity to cooperate with AirBridgeCargo Airlines in this important stage of their development and look forward to creating a long term successful partnership together."

The introduction of Ho Chi Minh City will strengthen ABC presence in Vietnam powered by more than 3-year successful operations to/from the capital of Vietnam. Ho Chi Minh City coupled with Hanoi will facilitate total coverage of Vietnamese catchment area, thus providing more options for delivery to the customers. ABC has been aimed at network expansion in close conjunction with quality enhancement, focusing on realignment of internal procedures, developing new offers for special cargoes, reinforcing personnel at all the levels, and introducing industry-related initiatives and IT-solutions.

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