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CATHAY PACIFIC RELEASES COMBINED TRAFFIC FIGURES FOR AUGUST 2007

Cathay Pacific Airways today released combined Cathay Pacific and Dragonair traffic figures for August 2007 that show a rise in both the number of passengers carried and the amount of cargo uplifted over the same month last year.

In August Cathay Pacific and Dragonair carried a total of 2,119,847 passengers, up 4.9% on the same month in 2006. The passenger load factor was high for the peak summer month at 83.1%, though there was only a marginal year-on-year rise. August's capacity, measured in available seat kilometres (ASKs), was up 2.7%. Year-to-date figures show passenger numbers up 2% against an ASK rise of 1.7%.

Cargo tonnage for the two airlines rose 12.1% to 142,597 tonnes last month, though it lagged behind a capacity rise of 14.1%. The cargo and mail load factor was down by 1.7 points to 65.3%. Figures for the year to date show combined cargo tonnage rising by 1.7% against a capacity increase of 6.5%.

Cathay Pacific General Manager Revenue Management, Sales & Distribution Ian Shiu said: "The strong traffic we saw in July continued through August, with passenger numbers for both Cathay Pacific and Dragonair boosted by the summer holiday peak. Demand in the front end held up better than expected over the summer and should pick up further as we move into one of the busiest periods for business travel."

Cathay Pacific Director & General Manager Cargo Ron Mathison said: "The cargo market showed signs of becoming more buoyant in August, though our tonnage growth still lagged behind growth in capacity. Demand out of Mainland China continued strong but yield remained under pressure on Northeast Asian routes. We recently added another flight each week to Dallas and Atlanta, turning it in a daily service, due to high demand on this comparatively new route."

The full figures are on the next page.

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CATHAY PACIFIC / DRAGONAIR COMBINED TRAFFIC	AUG	% Change	% Change	Cumulative	% Change	% Change
	2007	VS AUG 06 Note (i)	VS AUG 06 Note (ii)	AUG 2007	YTD Note (i)	YTD Note (ii)
RPK (000)						
- China	551,876	1055.7%	2.2%	3,707,861	1051.2%	-1.4%
- North East Asia	1,082,174	19.9%	3.2%	7,461,685	18.6%	1.9%
- South East Asia & Middle East	1,389,192	13.2%	8.5%	10,066,740	8.9%	4.8%
- Europe	1,444,274	0.6%	0.6%	10,797,974	2.4%	2.4%
- South West Pacific & South Africa	937,562	7.5%	7.5%	7,649,527	4.5%	4.5%
- North America	1,800,755	1.3%	1.3%	13,724,277	0.9%	0.9%
RPK Total (000)	7,205,833	15.0%	3.6%	53,408,064	12.9%	2.4%
Passengers carried	2,119,847	42.4%	4.9%	15,184,315	36.2%	2.0%
Cargo and mail tonne km (000)	770,115	35.8%	11.4%	5,573,030	23.8%	1.9%
Freight carried (000kg)	142,597	50.1%	12.1%	1,033,119	35.0%	1.7%
Number of flights	4,929	64.8%	4.1%	37,443	59.2%	0.9%

CATHAY PACIFIC / DRAGONAIR COMBINED CAPACITY	AUG	% Change	% Change	Cumulative	% Change	% Change
	2007	VS AUG 06 Note (i)	VS AUG 06 Note (ii)	AUG 2007	YTD Note (i)	YTD Note (ii)
ASK (000)						
- China	743,836	1041.1%	2.2%	5,564,200	987.9%	-2.5%
- North East Asia	1,339,650	19.7%	3.5%	10,203,616	17.8%	2.1%
- South East Asia & Middle East	1,653,098	4.9%	0.4%	12,827,398	5.6%	1.3%
- Europe	1,713,564	3.8%	3.8%	13,032,485	4.6%	4.6%
- South West Pacific & South Africa	1,127,908	2.2%	2.2%	9,422,404	1.0%	1.0%
- North America	2,089,468	3.5%	3.5%	16,042,848	1.3%	1.3%
ASK Total (000)	8,667,524	15.0%	2.7%	67,092,951	13.8%	1.7%
Passenger load factor	83.1%	0.0pt	0.7pt	79.6%	-0.7pt	0.6pt
Available cargo/mail tonne km (000)	1,178,583	36.7%	14.1%	8,523,325	27.9%	6.5%
Cargo and mail load factor	65.3%	-0.5pt	-1.7pt	65.4%	-2.1pt	-2.9pt
ATK (000)	2,002,646	26.9%	9.1%	14,902,880	21.4%	4.4%

Note: (i) Comparative figures excluding Dragonair 2006 traffic / capacity
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