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Press Release

NEOS AIR

MILAN, ITALY

INAUGURAL FLIGHT AT YANGON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

YANGON – 1 November 2018 – Yangon International Airport (YIA), the largest and busiest airport in Myanmar, now connects Yangon with Milan, Italy operated by Neos Air starting from 31 October 2018.

Neos Air is the latest addition to airlines flying into Yangon International Airport and is now the only airlines connecting Italy and Europe directly to Myanmar. Anticipating demand, NEOS Air fly the wide body Boeing 767-300ER with capacity of 284 passengers. This new route will assist in promoting tourism between Yangon, commercial capital city of Myanmar, and Milan, a global capital of fashion and design.



*The launching ceremony to commemorate the inaugural flight held at Yangon International Airport Terminal 1
on 31 October 2018*

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Flight Schedule (Local Time)

Flight No.	Route	STA	STD	Day
NO 279	MXP – CAG – PQC – RGN - MXP	1500	1600	Wednesday

Celebrating the inaugural flight at Yangon International Airport

The celebration event was held at Terminal 1 and graced by Union Minister for Transport and Communications H.E U Thant Sin Maung, Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism H.E U Ohn Maung, Yangon Region Chief Minister H.E U Phyo Min Thein, Yangon Mayor U Maung Maung Soe, Ambassador of Italy Embassy H.E Mrs. Alessandra Schiavo, Neos Air's Traffic Rights and Sales Director, Ms. Ilaria Toia and Chairman of Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YACL), U Htun Myint Naing.

Speaking at the launch ceremony, H.E U Thant Sin Maung said "As for today, Neos airline is contributing to the such growth by bringing more business and leisure travellers to Myanmar. Air connectivity between Myanmar and the rest of the world is very important for us. Because the more visitors travel to Myanmar, the more they will experience the rich heritage of our country and the warm hospitality and the gentle tradition of our people and better understand and appreciate Myanmar and its people."

H.E U Ohn Maung also said "I sincerely hope that this will be a unique experience for all of you flying with Neos Airline to the last and one of the best emerging destinations in Asia, which is this country Myanmar. As you will notice during your memorable trip, Myanmar is endowed with many famous tourist attractions as well as hospitable services. These include beautiful temples and historic monuments, pristine islands, scenic beauty of the natural lakes and interesting local lifestyles. I hope that you do not miss witnessing some of them."

H.E Mrs. Alessandra Schiavo commented "This celebration is much more just an airline carrier landing on one of the most beautiful countries in Asia. To be honest with you, I think it is one of the most beautiful countries in the world. This flight is about new connections and new opportunities, new experiences and new relationships. It is about new chances for growth and development because



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direct flights are powerful resources for economic progress, new friendships, and mutual understanding.”

Neos Air’s Traffic Rights and Sales Director, Ms. Ilaria Toia said “Starting from today, we are the first European airline that will connect Europe, Milan to Myanmar, Yangon. We start operation today with Boeing 767-300ER. But, starting from December, two days after Christmas, we will operate to this destination with our new brand aircraft Boeing 787.”

“Today is a special day for our Yangon International Airport as now Neo Air connects Yangon to Italy and our Myanmar people can now enjoy direct flights from Yangon to Italy, Europe and the rest of the world. With this connection, Travelers can reduce lots of transit time and travel more conveniently. It is a good platform for all local people in Myanmar, Italian as well as European to use this airline to travel and develop our businesses, share our cultures, and it is also a great impact on many industries in Myanmar, particularly to the tourism industry. We hope to receive more guests from Europe to enjoy the beauty of Myanmar and enjoy the new facilities at Yangon International Airport” said U Htun Myint Naing, Chairman of Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YAACL).

About Neos Air

NEOS was established in June 2001, with a consistent mission to offer a high-quality air transport activity both in flight and on land. Neos owns its bases at the airports of Milan Malpensa, Verona and Bologna, from all of which it operates daily regular flights and charter flights.

After obtaining the Air Carrier Certificate on the 7th March 2002 from the National Civil Aviation Body (ENAC), its first Boeing 737-800W (Winglet) I-NEOS “City of Milan” took off from Milan Malpensa the following day to Senegal (Dakar and Cap Skirring).

Its regular flights started in October of the same year operating the Italy-Cape Verde flights, followed by routes to the Canary Islands in August 2003 and to numerous important holiday destinations in the Mediterranean in the summer of 2004.



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Long haul flights finally started in December 2004 and are currently performed by three Boeings 767-300ERW (Extended Range Winglets) and by two Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner.

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About Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YACL)

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Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YACL) operates and manages Yangon International Airport, the main gateway into Myanmar. As the largest and busiest airport in Myanmar, YIA sets the standard as a high-performance airport with its overall approach towards achieving excellence in key areas such as infrastructure, organisation and management.

Over the last few years, Myanmar has seen steady growth in visitor traffic. As the country is set to experience long-term growth in tourism, YIA targets to handle up to 20 million passengers a year and is geared to provide quality experiences and services for passengers and airlines.

Yangon International Airport (YIA) is strategically located between India and China with two-thirds of the world's population within six hours flying range including cities such as Narita, Incheon, Dubai, Doha, Beijing, Hong Kong and Taipei. Serving 30 international airlines and 28 international destinations, YIA handled a total of 5.92 million passengers in 2017.