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Press Release

Yangon International Airport welcomes its 5th millionth passenger this year

- *Lucky passenger receives 1 Million MMK worth of cash and 1 Million MMK in other gifts*
 - *YIA is built to handle up to 20 million passengers*

YANGON – 14 November 2017 – Yangon International Airport (YIA), the largest and busiest airport in Myanmar, welcomed its 5th millionth passenger today. Mr Wong Foo Cheong, traveling on board Myanmar Airways International 8M-232 flight from Singapore arrived in YIA Terminal 1 at 3:15pm and was warmly greeted by our welcoming party.



Mr Wong Foo Cheong, the lucky 5th millionth passenger at YIA in 2017

At the same time, Mr Wong also received 1 Million MMK in cash in addition to a variety of other gifts valued at over 1 Million MMK. These gifts include a two-night stay in Horizon Lakeview Hotel and Resort in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, a Samsonite travel luggage, a Bering watch, an Artisan made-in-Myanmar bag, a JBL travel speaker, as well as other travel accessories.



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Mr Wong said “I was honoured and surprised to be the 5th millionth passenger at the Yangon International Airport today. I was touched by the thoughtful travel package that the airport staff prepared to welcome me. It is only my second visit to Myanmar but I hope to come back more often, and also hope that more travellers will also come to Myanmar to enjoy the warm hospitality here.”

Along with the lucky passenger, travelers on the same flight were also part of the joyous occasion and received complimentary duty-free vouchers.

Mr Sulaiman Zainul Abidin, Chief Operating Officer, Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited commented, “Yangon International Airport is pleased to celebrate its 5th million passenger this year. With passenger growth expected to exceed 5.9M passengers this year, this will set a new milestone in the history of the airport. Today’s event is part of YIA’s ongoing efforts to appreciate our passengers, both new and repeat, and provide them with unique experiences coming through the airport and into our Golden Land. Ultimately, we hope to give visitors more reasons to travel to Myanmar, be it for business or leisure.”

With two new terminals completed in 2016 – Terminal 1 for international passengers and Terminal 3 for domestic passengers – YIA is ready for future passenger demand as it is built to handle up to 20 million passengers.

Last year, 5.45 million passengers passed through the airport. Approximately two-thirds of these passengers were of international travel, and 70% were from Asia. With a growth rate of almost 9% in 2017, YIA is expected to end the year with 5.9 million passengers for 2017.

This year, YIA has added new services to its portfolio, comprising two new airline partners Himalaya Airlines and Malindo Air; as well as new destinations by China Southern flying to Haikou, VietJet Air connecting to Hanoi, and Nok Air flying to Mae Sot. Emirates also offers air services connecting Yangon and Phnom Penh in addition to their daily service to Dubai.

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About Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited

Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YACL) owns, operates and manages Yangon International Airport, the main gateway into Myanmar.

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 Tokyo, Dubai, Singapore, Beijing and New Delhi. Serving 29 international airlines and 25 international destinations, YIA is the busiest and largest airport in Myanmar, handling a total of 5.45 million passengers in 2016.

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 is built to handle up to 20 million passengers a year, and is geared to provide quality experiences and services for passengers and airlines.