

Brand new Boeing 777 Freighter extends DHL's intercontinental fleet

- **The first of 14 ordered Boeing 777 Freighters succeeded maiden flight**
- **New aircraft strengthens DHL's unmatched intercontinental network**
- **DHL meets the increasing demand in global express delivery with the most fuel-efficient and ecologically friendly airplanes worldwide**

Bonn / Cincinnati, May 28, 2019 – The first of the new Boeing 777 Freighters ordered by DHL has commenced revenue service. On Saturday, May 25, the airplane took off from Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG), its home operating base. Clad in DHL's yellow and red, the brand new 777 with the registration number N-705GT departed to Bahrain on its commercial maiden flight.

The replacement of the older intercontinental fleet with the most fuel-efficient and reliable freighter type allows DHL to meet the increasing global demand for express services. The new Boeing 777 will strengthen DHL's intercontinental services and connect major DHL hubs in Cincinnati, Leipzig, Hongkong and others. Operated by DHL partner Southern Air, the plane will soon start scheduled operations.

"The delivery of our first Boeing 777 Freighter marks an important milestone in our mission to overhaul our intercontinental fleet. This efficient, long-range and high-capacity freighter will enable us to serve even more markets with non-stop flights and significantly contributes to greater sustainability in line with our sustainability strategy 'zero emission by 2050' ", says John Pearson, CEO of DHL Express.

With a payload capability of 112 tons and a range of 9,200 km, the B777 F has the largest capacity and range of all twin-engine freight airplanes. They are also more fuel efficient and reliable than older models, reducing CO2 emissions by 18 per cent versus the aircraft being replaced. The older B747-400s aircraft will be gradually replaced as the new models arrive. Another three B777 F are scheduled to arrive this year.

DHL Express operates over 260 dedicated aircrafts with 17 partner airlines on over 600 daily flights across 220 countries and territories.

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50 Years DHL

In 2019 DHL is celebrating 50 years since the company's founding by three entrepreneurs in San Francisco in 1969. DHL began as a disruptor to the traditional delivery industry, circumventing bureaucracy with an innovative new service to deliver documents by air overnight. Since then, DHL has grown into a globe-spanning family of DHL companies with about 380,000 employees in over 220 countries and territories that covers the entire spectrum of logistics and supply chain services. DHL's customer-centricity and can-do culture have fueled five decades of innovation – from the DHL 1000, one of the first word processing computers in the world, to using the purpose built StreetScooter, an environmentally friendly delivery vehicle powered by an electric drive and developed by Deutsche Post DHL Group. With the Mission 2050 commitment to reach zero group-wide emissions by 2050, DHL is continuing to be a trailblazer in the logistics industry.

DHL – The logistics company for the world

DHL is the leading global brand in the logistics industry. Our DHL family of divisions offer an unrivalled portfolio of logistics services ranging from national and international parcel delivery, e-commerce shipping and fulfillment solutions, international express, road, air and ocean transport to industrial supply chain management. With about 380,000 employees in more than 220 countries and territories worldwide, DHL connects people and businesses securely and reliably, enabling global trade flows. With specialized solutions for growth markets and industries including technology, life sciences and healthcare, energy, automotive and retail, a proven commitment to corporate responsibility and an unrivalled presence in developing markets, DHL is decisively positioned as “The logistics company for the world”.

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