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Media Release

Cargolux successfully renews GDP certification

Luxembourg, 20 January 2016 – Cargolux Airlines successfully passed its GDP Surveillance Audit, validating its GDP certification for another year and attesting that the company's management system fulfills the requirements of the EU directive 'Guidelines on Good Distribution Practice of Medicinal Products for Human Use' and of WHO guidelines. Cargolux became the world's first GDP certified airline in January 2014, confirming its compliance with EU GDP/WHO requirements and Cargolux's dedication to operate a consistent quality management system across the transportation process. Cargolux's hub at Luxembourg airport is also GDP certified.

The GDP certification plays a key role in assuring the quality and the integrity of the transportation and distribution of medicinal products for human use. "GDP Certification ensures compliance with best distribution practice and quality in all related logistics services, especially in this highly regulated sector," says Franco Nanna, Cargolux Director Global Logistics Services and also Chairman of IATA's Time and Temperature Task Force. "It provides peace of mind to the customers when shipping these valuable commodities from point of origin to destination. Customers satisfaction is our passion",

The GDP certification program centers on the use of sophisticated, specialized equipment, well established pharmaceutical working procedures and continuously improving pharmaceutical handling expertise. In addition, the GDP certification recognizes Cargolux's operation of a specialized fleet of Boeing 747 freighters with four independently-controlled temperature zones and its qualified team of cool chain experts, experienced in the handling of healthcare goods in an effective, end-to-end temperature controlled process.

About Cargolux Airlines International

Cargolux, based in Luxembourg, is Europe's leading all-cargo airline with a modern and efficient fleet composed of 13 Boeing 747-8 freighters and 12 Boeing 747-400 freighters. The Cargolux worldwide network covers 90 destinations, some 70 of which are served on scheduled all-cargo flights. The company has more than 85 offices in over 50 countries, and operates an extensive global trucking network to more than 250 destinations as well as full and part-charter services. Cargolux also offers third-party maintenance at its modern two-bay maintenance hangar in Luxembourg. The company is specialized in B747 line and hangar maintenance up to and including C-Checks. It offers a range of specialized maintenance services and holds line maintenance approval for B777 aircraft. Cargolux employs over 1,500 staff worldwide.

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