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## IAG CARGO TO WELCOME FIRST BOEING 787-9 IN OCTOBER

IAG Cargo has today announced that it will begin cargo services on its new Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner this October. With belly-hold capacity of seven pallets and 16 tonnes of lift, the new aircraft is ideally suited to the transport of air cargo. Furthermore, state of the art air conditioning systems on the aircraft allow IAG Cargo to maintain a regular hold temperature to within one degree's accuracy, making it perfect for the shipment of temperature-sensitive pharmaceuticals through IAG Cargo's Constant Climate product.

**Steve Gunning, CEO of IAG Cargo commented:** "IAG Cargo is in the midst of one of the biggest fleet upgrade programmes in our group's history. The B787-9 is at the heart of this transformation, delivering more cargo capacity than its predecessors more efficiently and making it well-suited to our belly-hold operations. Through our investment in next-generation aircraft we will continue to be able to offer customers a diverse product portfolio that meets their requirements for extremely high levels of reliability."

The next-generation aircraft will launch five times weekly on the London Heathrow-Delhi route on October 25. Replacing a Boeing 747 on the Delhi service, customers using this route will benefit from around 17% more capacity on each flight.

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### Notes to editors

The flights will operate five times a week on the BA257 from Heathrow to Delhi on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays and the BA256 from Delhi to Heathrow on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays.

IAG Cargo is the single business created following the merger of British Airways World Cargo and Iberia Cargo in April 2011. In 2014 the operations of British Airways World Cargo and Iberia Cargo had a commercial revenue of €992 million. It has a combined workforce of more than 2,400 people covering a global network of over 350 destinations.

For further information, please visit the IAG Cargo YouTube channel:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/IAGCargo> or alternatively, visit the IAG Cargo website:

<https://www.iagcargo.com>

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