

TAM Cargo inaugurates largest LATAM Group cargo terminal in Brazil

- Located at Guarulhos Airport, the terminal has a new structure and provides new services to expedite cargo operations.
- It can handle more than 1,000 tons of cargo daily.

São Paulo, March 17, 2015.- TAM Cargo inaugurated its new cargo terminal — the result of R\$38 million in investment. Intended exclusively for domestic cargo, the new terminal is the largest owned by LATAM Group in Brazil, with a total surface area of 15,000 m². Located in the Guarulhos area, on Hélio Smidt Highway, the terminal has been restructured and provides new services that represent a significant improvement, considering that the previous one, also located in the vicinity of the airport, had a total surface area of 9,800 m².

This is the largest and most modern cargo terminal that LATAM Airlines Group owns in Brazil, with a capacity to handle more than 1,000 tons of cargo daily. Eleven-meters high, it is the highest owned by the Group in airports around the world.

Among its advantages, the terminal allows for the simultaneous handling of cargo transported by freighters and by passenger aircraft. The facility features 14 entry doors for incoming cargo (with individual scales) and 12 exit doors, all with height-adjustable boarding platforms. Fourteen metal storage platforms, with a capacity of up to 37,800 kg per unit, have been installed in its interior.

Movement automation

Another advantage of the new terminal is that the whole cargo movement process is now automated, with an intelligent

identification system. Cargo and platforms are labelled and tracked using bar codes, thus allowing for products to be located and retrieved using automated bar-code reading. Another novelty is a large cold-storage chamber, with a total surface area of 900 m³ and 76 rack positions (cargo space), designed to store perishables, including fish and pharmaceuticals.

The number of customer service booths has been increased by 73% and customers will now enjoy more parking capacity, with flexibility to receive all types of vehicles.

Electronic products, car parts and machines in general, as well as perishables, are among the most commonly transported products, mainly catering to the markets in North and Northeastern Brazil.

“The new terminal is part of TAM Cargo’s investment plan in technology, security and infrastructure, which will total R\$94 million by 2016. All efforts are aimed at improving our services and offering the best products, in accordance with our customers’ needs and profile,” said **TAM Cargo’s Executive Director, Luis Quintiliano.**

Terminal infrastructure

The investment in terminal infrastructure started in 2013, with the inauguration of the Cargo Terminal in Manaus and continued in 2014, with Goiânia, Natal and improvements in 19 other terminals. In 2015, apart from the Cargo Terminal at Guarulhos, the Company will complete the works at Uberlândia, Ribeirão Preto and Sorocaba.

TAM Cargo expects to inaugurate the terminals at Galeão, in Rio de Janeiro, Porto Alegre, Curitiba, Brasilia and Fortaleza by the end of 2016.

Alliance with GRU Airport

The inauguration of the new TAM Cargo terminal featured the participation of Guarulhos Airport’s concessionaire. In 2014, GRU Airport Cargo’s imports and exports grew 3%, while the overall

market dropped 3%. Throughout the year, the airport oversaw more than 255,000 tons of international cargo, compared to 248,000 in 2013. These results consolidated GRU Airport's leadership in the sector, with a 36% market share in Brazil.

Adding up all types of air cargo transport (import, export, domestic cargo, mail and courier), GRU Airport cargo handled 508,000 tons in 2014, maintaining its market leadership position with a 33% market share. A total of 39.5 million passengers passed through the airport in 2014 — a 10% increase compared to 2013 — and there were 304,000 takeoffs and landings.