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**IAG CARGO ANNOUNCES 40% JUMP IN CAPACITY ON
LONDON-RIO DE JANEIRO ROUTE**

IAG Cargo today announces it will be able to offer customers additional freight capacity between London and Rio de Janeiro, due to an increase in the frequency of British Airways passenger flights from April. From October 28, 2013, the route will be serviced daily by a Boeing 777-300ER, replacing the 777-200 currently servicing the route. Customers will benefit from increased access to IAG Cargo's cargo network, which supports more than 350 destinations worldwide.

The new flight brings the weekly total on the Rio de Janeiro route to seven frequencies. This will provide IAG Cargo customers with a greater flexibility over when they send consignments and will allow them to ship an increased weight of cargo, with an additional available capacity of 42 tonnes per week.

Rio de Janeiro and Latin America overall, are important growth markets for IAG Cargo. In 2012, the London-Rio de Janeiro route generated 2759 tonnes of cargo, including general cargo, Prioritise, IAG Cargo's premium product solution, with shipments receiving the fastest publicised cut off and delivery times of any air carrier and Constant Climate, precision temperature controlled air cargo

containers that can cater for temperature requirements as low as minus 20°C and as high as 25°C.

David Shepherd, Head of Commercial at IAG Cargo, commented: “The additional flights will prove highly beneficial to IAG Cargo’s South American business and our customers, allowing us to increase our offering in a market that is showing real growth amidst difficult global conditions. The now daily capacity builds on our extensive global network and 16 existing gateways to Latin America.”

IAG Cargo operates 30 flights per day from Latin America. This equates to over 150 tonnes shipped from the area every day.

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Notes to editors

IAG Cargo is the single business created following the merger of British Airways World Cargo and Iberia Cargo in April 2011. In April 2012, IAG completed the purchase of bmi, including bmi Cargo.

In 2012 the operations of British Airways World Cargo and Iberia Cargo had joint turnover of €1,217 million. They have a combined workforce of more than 2,700 people covering a global network of over 350 destinations.

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