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## **Airports Report Strong Passenger Traffic in September - A Healthy Climate for World's Airports Meeting -**

Auckland – ACI Director General Robert J Aaronson will welcome 625 participants, from 58 countries at the ACI annual meeting and conference on 7 November in Auckland. The summit theme of “Airports and Tourism: Partnership for Growth” will focus on the important synergies that exist between airports and the local, national, regional and international economies they serve. Key topics on the agenda include new airport initiatives in the areas of safety, security, environment, health, airline-airport relations and customer service – all major contributors to a healthy tourism industry.

### **Positive traffic trends continue**

ACI airport traffic statistics for September 2005 once again underscore the growth trend in the industry and show that passenger demand remains strong despite high fuel costs and surcharges. Airports worldwide reported a steady 6% passenger traffic growth as compared to September 2004, and also a 6% increase for the 12-month period ending in September 2005 over the previous 12 months.

Total freight handled worldwide posted a 2% increase for September 2005. International freight rose 3% while domestic freight remained unchanged.

Please see the detailed tables for regional results on pages 2 and 3.

**TABLE 1 – SUMMARY WORLDWIDE TRAFFIC RESULTS**

<b>September 2005: % Changes Year-over-Year</b>			
<b>TRAFFIC Worldwide</b>	<b>Sep 2005 over Sep 2004</b>	<b>Jan-Sep 2005 over Jan-Sep 2004</b>	<b>YOY 12 months ending Sep 2005</b>
<b>PaxFlash</b>			
<b>Int'l Pax</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>7.6</b>
<b>Dom Pax</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>
<b>Total Pax</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>FreightFlash</b>			
<b>Int'l Freight</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>4.7</b>
<b>Dom Freight</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Total Freight</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>3.6</b>

### Notes to Editors:

- 1) For information about the ACI World Conference, contact either Nancy Gautier at ACI at +41 79 427 3302 or [ngautier@aci.aero](mailto:ngautier@aci.aero), or Haldane Dodd at Auckland International Airport Ltd, at +64 27 288 6665 or [dodd.h@aki-airport.co.nz](mailto:dodd.h@aki-airport.co.nz)
- 2) PaxFlash and FreightFlash statistics are based on a significant sample of airports, which provide regular monthly reports to ACI, representing approximately 60% of total passenger figures and 70% of total freight worldwide. For further statistics information contact Nancy Gautier, [ngautier@aci.aero](mailto:ngautier@aci.aero)
- 3) The ACI membership consists of over 550 international airports and airport authorities, operating approximately 1,530 airports in 175 countries and territories. ACI's primary purpose is to foster cooperation among its member airports and with other partners in world aviation. Through such cooperation, ACI aims to contribute significantly towards achieving an air transport system that is safe, secure, efficient and compatible with the environment. ACI represents the world's airports in interacting with the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), with which it has observer status, and other world bodies. ACI has its World Headquarters in Geneva and is made up of six geographical regions: Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean, North America, and the Pacific.



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**TABLE 2 – PASSENGER TRAFFIC**

<b>PaxFlash Summary</b>						
<b>September 2005</b>						
<b>STATS REGIONS</b>	<b>MONTH</b>	<b>% Change YOY</b>	<b>YTD JUL 2005</b>	<b>% Change YOY</b>	<b>YE JUL 2005</b>	<b>% Change YOY</b>
<b>INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS</b>						
AFR	1 890	10.1	15 477	11.0	20 199	9.3
ASP	20 171	4.6	181 286	8.9	241 473	10.1
EUR	56 358	5.7	450 331	6.0	579 183	6.1
LAC	2 529	12.6	26 141	12.4	34 020	12.0
MEA	3 421	25.5	28 413	11.9	36 494	11.9
NAM	10 469	6.3	102 980	7.0	133 146	7.3
ACI	94 839	6.4	804 628	7.3	1 044 515	7.6
<b>DOMESTIC PASSENGERS</b>						
AFR	1 665	17.5	15 103	19.7	19 967	16.8
ASP	19 402	5.9	167 203	5.3	222 700	5.4
EUR	15 392	3.7	127 576	2.4	168 295	2.1
LAC	3 741	9.9	33 337	11.5	44 619	14.5
MEA						
NAM	49 736	4.5	484 220	4.5	640 008	5.5
ACI	89 936	5.1	827 439	4.8	1 095 589	5.5
<b>TOTAL PASSENGERS</b>						
AFR	3 593	11.0	30 901	13.9	40 598	11.9
ASP	40 518	5.1	357 472	7.0	475 972	7.7
EUR	72 142	5.2	581 586	5.2	752 314	5.2
LAC	6 478	10.9	61 466	11.9	81 259	13.3
MEA	3 535	24.2	29 531	11.2	38 001	11.2
NAM	73 853	5.8	719 277	5.2	946 190	5.9
ACI	200 118	6.0	1 780 233	6.0	2 334 334	6.4

**DEFINITIONS:**

INTERNATIONAL (000s). TRAFFIC (PASSENGERS) PERFORMED BETWEEN THE DESIGNATED AIRPORT AND AN AIRPORT IN ANOTHER COUNTRY/TERRITORY.

DOMESTIC (000s). TRAFFIC (PASSENGERS) PERFORMED BETWEEN TWO AIRPORTS LOCATED IN THE SAME COUNTRY/TERRITORY.

TOTAL (000s). INTERNATIONAL + DOMESTIC PASSENGERS + DIRECT TRANSIT PASSENGERS COUNTED ONCE (when breakdown is available).

TOTAL ≠ INTERNATIONAL + DOMESTIC

YOY      Year over Year  
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**TABLE 3 – FREIGHT TRAFFIC**

<b>Freight Flash Summary</b>						
<b>September 2005</b>						
<b>STATS REGIONS</b>	<b>MONTH</b>	<b>% Change YOY</b>	<b>YTD JUL 2005</b>	<b>% Change YOY</b>	<b>YE JUL 2005</b>	<b>% Change YOY</b>
<b>INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT</b>						
AFR	29.9	(12.7)	248.0	(2.3)	332.7	(2.7)
ASP	1 490.1	3.8	12 343.1	4.5	16 763.1	6.1
EUR	676.1	2.7	5 832.0	2.1	7 931.7	3.7
LAC	114.2	(3.1)	981.6	(0.2)	1 361.6	3.0
MEA	223.0	15.6	1 898.4	9.6	2 571.5	9.8
NAM	416.8	(2.9)	3 711.0	(1.5)	5 037.7	0.4
ACI	2 950.0	2.8	25 014.2	3.1	33 998.2	4.7
<b>DOMESTIC FREIGHT</b>						
AFR	3.3	21.2	26.9	4.3	38.0	5.7
ASP	363.2	2.8	2 883.5	3.3	3 899.1	2.9
EUR	28.3	(5.4)	239.1	(7.1)	332.0	(5.2)
LAC	17.2	(6.7)	475.7	5.7	658.7	4.0
MEA	.0	(99.6)	.7	(29.6)	1.9	29.6
NAM	741.9	(0.8)	6 559.4	1.1	8 858.9	1.7
ACI	1 153.9	0.1	10 185.4	1.7	13 788.6	2.0
<b>TOTAL FREIGHT</b>						
AFR	37.1	(8.6)	312.3	(0.8)	419.9	(1.2)
ASP	1 853.2	3.6	15 232.2	4.3	20 670.8	5.5
EUR	704.4	2.3	6 071.3	1.7	8 263.9	3.4
LAC	131.3	(3.5)	1 457.3	1.6	2 020.3	3.3
MEA	223.0	15.3	1 899.2	9.6	2 573.4	9.9
NAM	1 634.2	(0.8)	14 287.9	(0.1)	19 344.1	1.1
ACI	4 583.2	2.0	39 260.2	2.4	53 292.4	3.6

**DEFINITIONS:**

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