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KENYA AIRWAYS OPERATING PERFORMANCE; 3rd QTR – OCT to DEC 2011

Kenya Airways releases its operating results for the third quarter ended 31st Dec 2011.

The company put into the market place capacity totalling 3,560m seat kilometres which was 6.5% better than last year's level as a result of increased frequencies to several destinations and the launch of Jeddah operations in the third quarter.

Capacity offered into Europe registered a 14.9% growth compared to the same quarter of prior year due to introduction of flights to Rome and double daily weekend flights to London. The capacity into Middle East, Far East and India regions remained at par compared to same period last year.

The Northern Africa region capacity grew marginally by 1.9% owing to the introduction of double dailies to Juba in Southern Sudan on the Embraer aircraft to meet the rising demand for business travellers. Capacity availed into the East African region shrunk by 14.2% compared to last year largely as a result of operating combined flights to Bujumbura and Kigali as opposed to direct flights evidenced last year.

Capacity offered in the Central Africa region shrunk by 15.5% mainly due to reduced demand as a result of cancelling combined flights to Malabo via Douala and Kisangani via Entebbe. Capacity in Southern Africa grew by 16.9% following the introduction of Nampula in December 2010 and increased frequencies to Maputo via Harare and to Lubumbashi via Ndola. West Africa capacity grew by 4.0% mainly from increased operations on Bamako Dakar and Yaounde

In the Domestic front, capacity grew by 16.9% compared to same period prior year. This was largely driven by the re-introduction of Malindi flights in mid December 2010 and increased frequencies to Mombasa and Kisumu.

Uptake of total production at 2,563m revenue passenger kilometres represented 9.9% growth compared to last year. The total passenger tally at 956,742, indicate a growth of 15.4% over prior year. The achieved system wide average cabin factor of 72.0% was better than 69.8% realised last year.

Cargo tonnage at 16,131 increased by 6.2% compared to last year's level indicating improved sales efforts in the back of a 6.5% growth in capacity.

Passenger uplift to Europe at 117,527 indicates a 14.7% year on year growth on the back of a 14.9% capacity growth resulting to 73.4% seat occupancy level.

In the Middle East, Far East and India regions uplifted passenger traffic at 131,126 showed an increase of 6.8%. The realised cabin factor of 75.4% was marginally below prior year.

Within Africa but excluding Kenya passengers uplifted totalled 502,435 indicating a growth of 14.1% compared to a 3.9% capacity growth. The resultant cabin factor achieved of 68.4% was an improvement of 5.4 percentage points compared to same period last year.

Passengers uplifted within Kenya at 205,654 showed a 26.0% growth. The resulting cabin factor of 74.6% was above 70.3% realised last year.

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