



## Media Release

### Emirates SkyCargo commences freighter service to Luxembourg

DUBAI/LUXEMBOURG 13 June 2017 - Emirates SkyCargo, the world's largest international cargo airline, has operated the first of its scheduled weekly freighter service to Luxembourg on 12 June 2017. On arrival at Luxembourg, the freighter was welcomed with a traditional water cannon salute. Emirates SkyCargo's freighter operation between Luxembourg and Dubai World Central is one of the first steps in the implementation of the strategic operational partnership between Emirates SkyCargo and Cargolux Airlines announced in May this year.

Emirates SkyCargo will operate its Boeing 777 freighter aircraft on this route providing a total cargo capacity of over 100 tonnes. The Boeing 777 freighter aircraft is one of the most modern and technologically advanced freighters available with one of the lowest fuel burn of any comparable size aircraft.

The strategic partnership between Emirates SkyCargo and Cargolux allows for customers of both carriers to access a wider range of destinations and services through block space and interline agreements between the two players. Emirates SkyCargo's new freighter service facilitates increased connectivity between Cargolux's hub at Luxembourg and Emirates SkyCargo's hub at Dubai adding to the thrice weekly freighter service that Cargolux operates to Dubai World Central.

At Luxembourg, ground handling of the Emirates SkyCargo's freighters will be carried out at the same facility as Cargolux and at Dubai, Cargolux freighters are handled by Emirates SkyCargo allowing for seamless transit of cargo between the two air cargo operators. Smooth movement of cargo is also enabled by other factors including the common EU Good Distribution Practices (GDP) certification of both hubs.

"Emirates SkyCargo is delighted to start our weekly freighter operations to Luxembourg," said Nabil Sultan, Emirates Divisional Senior Vice President, Cargo. "This is an important step in our operational partnership with Cargolux through which we will be able to offer our customers an enhanced reach across each other's networks, as well as an enriched service offering building upon our compatibility in ground handling and standard operating procedures for cargo transportation," he added.

"Cargolux is proud to welcome Emirates SkyCargo at our home base in Luxembourg," says Richard Forson, Cargolux President & CEO. "As the leading Gulf airline and one of the premier carriers worldwide, Emirates is as important a player in the industry as Cargolux is. With the arrival of SkyCargo's first freighter here, we open a new chapter in our history and lay the foundation for a fruitful

cooperation for the benefit of our customers. Our supplementary capabilities allow us to develop service offerings that both of us could not provide on our own.”

Emirates SkyCargo’s freighter will arrive at Luxembourg at 13.25 local time every Monday and will depart to Dubai World Central at 15.25 local time on the same day. Luxembourg joins Emirates SkyCargo’s global network of over 150 destinations in more than 80 countries across six continents.

### **About Cargolux**

Cargolux, based in Luxembourg, is Europe’s leading all-cargo airline with a modern and efficient fleet composed of 14 Boeing 747-8 freighters and 12 Boeing 747-400 freighters. The Cargolux worldwide network covers 90 destinations, some 70 of which are served on scheduled all-cargo flights. The company has more than 85 offices in over 50 countries, and operates an extensive global trucking network to more than 250 destinations as well as full and part-charter services. Cargolux also offers third-party maintenance at its modern two-bay maintenance hangar in Luxembourg. The company is specialized in B747 line and hangar maintenance up to and including C-Checks. It offers a range of specialized maintenance services and holds line maintenance approval for 777 aircraft. The Cargolux Group employs close to 1,900 staff worldwide.

### **About Emirates SkyCargo**

Emirates SkyCargo is the freight division of Emirates and is the world’s largest international cargo airline. The carrier connects cargo customers to over 150 cities across 83 countries in six continents. Emirates SkyCargo’s cargo hold capacity comprises Emirates’ all wide-body fleet of close to 260 aircraft, including 15 freighters – 13 Boeing 777-Fs and two B747-400ERFs. Emirates SkyCargo is renowned for the highest standards of product quality in supporting business logistics – achieving customer satisfaction through innovation, flexibility and the constant refinement of service levels.

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