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Air Mediterranean S.A – New Greek Commercial Airline Operator Receives AOC approval

ATHENS. 17 January 2017 – Air Mediterranean S.A (ICAO code: MAR) – a new commercial airline operator based in Athens, Greece has just received its approved Hellenic EASA EU-Ops Air Operator’s Certificate (AOC). The airline will presently operate in ACMI leases and Charters and later in the summer will introduce its scheduled flight operation.

The company has been established with the mission to efficiently meet the demand for passenger and cargo service linking underserved destinations in the Middle East and Africa to Europe through Greece, as a centrally located hub. Air Mediterranean Director, Andrew Hallak states: “We are extremely proud to have reached this important milestone, as we look to begin commercial operations and conveniently connect Europe to destinations in the Middle-East and Africa, which are currently being improperly served. It was a difficult task, but our experienced team worked hard and stepped up to the challenge and we now have our approved AOC in hand, ready for the next step.”

The airline is expected to begin commercial operations by late January 2017, initially offering its first Boeing 737-400 aircraft (Reg: SX-MAH) for charter and ACMI/wet leases while it awaits its second addition to the fleet in 2nd Quarter 2017 – also a Boeing 737-400. SX-MAH is configured with 162Y (economy) seats and is now available for charters based in Athens, Greece. Hallak explains: “In order to properly serve our initial routes for the scheduled operation, we are waiting for the addition of our second B737 – expected in Q2 2017. Until then, we’ll be chartering out SX-MAH for full adhoc charters and ACMI/wet lease operation, and continue this through the summer. It’s quite interesting that despite us trying to keep a low profile until AOC approval, we’ve received plenty of requests which are now progressing. We appreciate the market’s enthusiasm and we look forward to serve.”

Air Mediterranean is also working on adding a third aircraft to the fleet in 3rd Quarter 2017 for the summer season. It is examining the option of either adding an additional B737-400 or introducing a next generation Boeing 737-800.

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