

# GRUPO VIVA AEROBUS INCREASED BY 23% ITS OPERATING REVENUE IN 2017

**Mexico City, February 22, 2018.**- Grupo Viva Aerobus, holding company of Viva Aerobus, Mexico's ultra-low-cost airline, reported a 23% increase in its annual operating revenue regarding 2017, reaching \$ 7,666 million pesos compared to \$6,215 million pesos achieved in 2016.

During 2017, more than 8.1 million passengers were transported, an increase of 29% compared to 2016 and a load factor of 90%. Additionally, throughout 2017, Viva Aerobus opened 23 new routes, closing the year with 88 routes to 37 differ-ent destinations. These results were driven by the preference of the travelers giv-en the attractiveness of the most competitive prices in the market and its strategy of constant expansion.

Moreover, Viva Aerobus reported a growth of 22% in passenger traffic during the 4Q2017 compared to the 4Q2016, having transported more than 2.2 million pas-sengers with a load factor of 90%. This resulted in an increase of 18% in its total operating revenue in the 4Q2017 with a total of \$ 2,180 million pesos compared to the total of \$1,849 million pesos reported in the 4Q2016.

Additionally, in its earnings report corresponding to 2017 and to the 4Q2017, Grupo Viva Aerobus shows the following:

### On the annual results of 2017

- In 2017, passenger revenue showed a growth of 18% vs. 2016, standing at \$4,320 million pesos, thus representing 55% of total operating revenue. Ancillary revenue reached \$ 3,346 million pesos, an increase of 31% com-pared to 2016.
- Available seats kilometers reached 9,386 million, a 24% increase in Viva Aerobus capacity compared to 2016.
- Operating expenses reached \$7,030 million pesos, 27% higher than those recorded in 2016. This increase
  is mainly due to higher operation capacity and rising jet fuel. However, Viva Aerobus continued to attain
  higher oper-ating efficiencies for the full-year 2017, as reflected on the 8% annual de-crease in the CASK
  adjusted excluding fuel metric. These with the aim of continue offering the most competitive prices for
  the benefit of passengers.
- At the end of 2017, EBITDAR reached \$2,484 million pesos, with a margin of 32%. This represented a
  decrease of 4% compared to the previous year, explained by the higher fuel prices and maintenance
  expenses.
- Net income for 2017 was \$564 million pesos, with a net margin of 7%. It meant a decrease of 25% compared to 2016 attributed to a lower ex-change rate gain.

# On the results of the fourth quarter 2017

- In 4Q17, passenger revenue showed a growth of 22% vs. 4Q2016, stand-ing at \$1,191 million pesos, which represents a 53% of total operating rev-enue. Ancillary revenue reached \$989 million pesos, an increase of 14% compared to 4Q16.
- The available seat kilometers reached 2,555 million; which represents an increase of 21% compared to 4t2016.
- Operating expenses reached \$2,135 million pesos, 13% higher than those recorded in 4Q2016. This
  increase is mainly due to higher operation ca-pacity and rising jet fuel. However, Viva Aerobus, following







a strict opera-tional efficiency, reduced by 24% the CASK adjusted excluding fuel metric in order to maintain the most competitive prices in the market.

- In 4Q2017, EBITDAR reached \$ 622 million pesos with a margin of 29%. This represented a decrease of 16% compared to 4Q2016 attributable, mainly, to higher fuel prices and maintenance costs.
- Net income for 4Q2017 reached \$28 million pesos, with a profit margin of 1%. This implied a decrease of 85% compared to 2016, resulting from a lower exchange rate gain.

"We will continue working relentlessly to achieve the highest operational efficien-cy and provide an over-the-top service to our customers. Thanks to the trust that Mexican travelers placed on us, I am confident that we will continue to make pro-gress in achieving one of our main objectives: to transform Viva Aerobus into the lowest cost, most preferred, enjoyable and profitable airline in the Americas", mentioned Gian Carlo Nucci, general director of Grupo Viva Aerobus and Grupo IAMSA.

# About Grupo Viva Aerobus

It is the holding of several companies, including the airline Viva Aerobus.

Viva Aerobus is Mexico's low-cost airline. It started operations in 2006 and today operates the youngest Latin American fleet with 23 Airbus A320, including two A320neo, in 88 routes to 37 destinations. With a clear vision to give all people the opportunity to fly, Viva Aerobus has de-mocratized the airline industry with the lowest rates in México and the lowest costs in Latin America, making their flights the best value offer.

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