

EVA Expands to 8th Gateway in North America, Chicago

New nonstop flights connect to one-stop service throughout Asia

CHICAGO (Nov. 2, 2016) – EVA Air’s first Taipei – Chicago flight arrived at O’Hare International Airport at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2016 after airline President Derek Chen and approximately 300 passengers enjoyed a pleasant, 14-hour flight across the Pacific. Chicago Department of Aviation Commissioner Ginger Evans met the flight at the gate with a warm welcome. Taiwan Economic and Cultural Office Chicago Director General Calvin Ho and EVA President Chen joined Commissioner Evans at the gate to address a crowd of invited guests and passengers and celebrate the airline’s 8th gateway in North America with live jazz, finger foods and drinks in a party-like atmosphere. Close to 50 travel agents, cargo service representatives and other guests joined officials and airline executives for the celebration. Travelers can book and buy tickets through travel agents, EVA ticket offices and online at www.evaair.com.

“We have steadily developed, expanded and upgraded our global network and Chicago is an important link. EVA earned a 5-Star airline quality rating by SKYTRAX and was voted 8th among The World’s Best International Airlines by *Travel + Leisure*,” said EVA President Chen. “After we launch service to Chicago and add flights on other North America routes, EVA will be offering 80 flights a week to Asia by the end of this year. Our flight frequency will outnumber that of every other airline in this market. From these trans-Pacific flights, our passengers can take one-stop connections from Taipei on to 12 major cities in Southeast Asia and experience comfortable, convenient advantages of travel with EVA.”

EVA will fly one of its new Boeing 777-300ERs between Chicago’s O’Hare International and Taipei’s Taoyuan International Airports. It is launching the route with four flights a week.

Route	Flight No.	Frequency	Departing	Arriving
Chicago-Taipei	BR55	1.3.4.6	00:20 am	05:00 am +1
Taipei-Chicago	BR56	2.3.5.7	20:05 pm	20:55 pm

The airline equipped its Boeing 777-300ER with all the latest comforts and conveniences, including inflight Wi-Fi and state-of-the-art entertainment systems in every seat. It configured it with 333 seats, 39 in Royal Laurel Class business, 56 in Elite premium economy and 238 in Economy.

EVA infused tastes of its newest gateway into its first Chicago – Taipei flight by serving all passengers a classic salty caramel mix of the city’s famous Garrett Popcorn.

With its excellent services, top safety rankings, exceptional route system and 14 co-share alliances with other leading international airlines, EVA gives travelers from Chicago and the Midwest comfortable options for travel worldwide. From North America gateways in Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Toronto and Vancouver, EVA operates more flights from North America with more one-stop connections to more destinations throughout Asia than any other airlines. Chicago passengers can connect onward from Taipei on 132 flights to 12 cities in Southeast Asia, including Singapore, Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), Manila, Cebu, Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok, Phnom Penh, Jakarta, Surabaya and Denpasar (Bali). With subsidiary UNI Air, EVA operates an additional 115 weekly flights to 27 destinations in Mainland China and also flies to Guam, Korea, 12 major cities in Japan and more.

About EVA Air

[EVA Air](#), a Star Alliance member, is widely recognized for exceptionally high service and safety standards. The carrier was established in 1989 as Taiwan's first privately owned international airline. It is part of the respected Evergreen Group and a sister company to global container-shipping leader Evergreen Line. It flies a fleet of more than 70 Boeing and Airbus aircraft to more than 60 international destinations throughout Asia, Oceania, Europe and North America where gateways are Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Toronto, Vancouver and, now, Chicago. With just one easy stop in Taipei, travelers can connect onward to most major cities throughout Asia, including 27 destinations in Mainland China. Travelers can learn more about EVA’s new schedule and book and buy tickets at www.evaair.com.

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