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中國國際航空股份有限公司 AIR CHINA LIMITED

(a joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 00753)

ANNOUNCEMENT ON KEY OPERATING DATA OF APRIL 2017

The enclosed announcement (the "SSE Announcement") was published by Air China Limited (the "Air China") on the Shanghai Stock Exchange on 15 May 2017, which contains combined operating data for April 2017 for Air China and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group").

This announcement enclosing the SSE Announcement is made by Air China pursuant to Rule 13.09 and Rule 13.10B of the Listing Rules and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined in the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the SFO. The data in the enclosed SSE Announcement was calculated based on the internal statistics of the Group, which may differ from the data disclosed in the relative periodic reports.

This announcement enclosing the SSE Announcement is made by Air China pursuant to Rule 13.09 and Rule 13.10B of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined in the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the "SFO").

The data in the enclosed SSE Announcement was calculated based on the internal statistics of the Group, which may differ from the data disclosed in the relative periodic reports.

Investors are advised to exercise caution in dealing in shares of Air China.

By Order of the Board
Air China Limited
Rao Xinyu Tam Shuit Mui
Joint Company Secretaries

Beijing, the PRC, 15 May 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company are Mr. Cai Jianjiang, Mr. Song Zhiyong, Mr. Cao Jianxiong, Mr. Feng Gang, Mr. John Robert Slosar, Mr. Ian Sai Cheung Shiu, Mr. Pan Xiaojiang*, Mr. Simon To Chi Keung*, Mr. Stanley Hui Hon-chung* and Mr. Li Dajin*.

* Independent non-executive director of the Company

SSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The SSE Announcement is written in Chinese, with no official English translation. The English translation is provided solely for reference only. In case of any discrepancy between the two versions, the Chinese version shall prevail. The full version of the SSE Announcement is as follows:

AIR CHINA LIMITED ANNOUNCEMENT ON KEY OPERATING DATA OF APRIL 2017

In April 2017, Air China Limited (the "Company"), and its subsidiaries (the "Group") recorded an increase in combined passenger traffic (measured by revenue passenger kilometers (the "RPK")) as compared to the same period last year, and slight decrease as compared to the same period last month. Passenger capacity (measured by available seat kilometers (the "ASK")) and passenger traffic recorded a year-on-year increase of 3.7% and 4.5% respectively. For domestic routes, both passenger capacity and passenger traffic increased by 2.6%, as compared to the same period last year. For international routes, passenger capacity and passenger traffic increased by 6.7% and 9.4%, respectively, as compared to the same period last year. Passenger capacity on regional routes decreased by 5.3%, and passenger traffic saw a decline of 5.6%, as compared to the same period last year. The overall passenger load factor was 80.9%, representing an increase of 0.6 percentage point as compared to the same period last year. The passenger load factor for domestic routes remained flat while the passenger load factor for international routes grew by 1.9 percentage points as compared to the same period last year.

In terms of cargo operations, in April 2017, the cargo and mail traffic (measured by revenue freight tonne kilometres (the "RFTK")) displayed a growth on a year-on-year basis and on a month-on-month basis, respectively, while the freight tonnage carried saw an increase on a year-on-year basis and a slight decline on a month-on-month basis. Cargo capacity (measured by available freight tonne kilometers (the "AFTK")) increased by 1.0% year-on-year. Cargo and mail traffic increased by 6.3% and the volume of cargo and mail carried rose by 5.7% as compared to the same period last year. The cargo load factor was 56.9% in April 2017, representing a year-on-year growth of 2.9 percentage points.

In April 2017, the Group introduced one A320 aircraft, one A330 aircraft and one B737 aircraft. As at the end of April 2017, the Group operated a fleet of 631 aircraft, including 257 self-owned aircraft, 172 aircraft under finance lease and 202 aircraft under operating lease.

The following table sets forth key operating data for April 2017:

	April 2017	Year-on-Year Change (%)	Month-on- Month Change (%)	Cumulative 2017	Year-on-Year Cumulative Change (%)
I. Capacity					
1. ATK (in millions) ¹	2,855.0	2.7	-1.6	11,405.7	3.3
Domestic	1,417.9	4.9	-6.0	5,795.7	8.9
International	1,344.5	0.9	3.4	5,233.2	-1.3
Regional	92.5	-4.3	-1.5	376.8	-9.0
2. ASK (in millions) ²	19,579.1	3.7	-2.1	78,847.6	4.5
Domestic	11,877.0	2.6	-4.6	48,188.5	5.9
International	6,964.4	6.7	2.3	27,654.0	3.8
Regional	737.7	-5.3	-1.6	3,005.1	-8.9
3. AFTK (in millions) ³	1,088.5	1.0	-0.8	4,292.0	1.4
Domestic	349.4	12.4	-10.0	1,461.2	18.8
International	715.8	-3.7	4.4	2,736.7	-5.6
Regional	23.2	-0.7	-0.6	94.1	-9.5
II. Traffic					
1. RTK (in millions) ⁴	2,031.7	4.9	-1.2	7,955.5	6.3
Domestic	1,013.5	2.7	-4.9	4,075.6	7.2
International	957.3	8.1	2.7	3,638.7	6.4
Regional	60.9	-5.3	4.6	241.2	-8.0
2. RPK (in millions) ⁵	15,832.5	4.5	-2.3	64,443.6	6.9
Domestic	9,813.1	2.6	-5.1	40,151.3	7.6
International	5,460.4	9.4	2.4	22,045.9	7.7
Regional	559.1	-5.6	6.3	2,246.4	-8.9
3. RFTK (in millions) ⁶	619.6	6.3	2.1	2,245.6	5.0
Domestic	139.2	4.1	-2.0	526.6	5.2
International	470.9	7.1	3.5	1,684.8	5.1
Regional	9.5	-0.1	0.6	34.3	-1.7
4. Number of Passengers carried (in thousands)	8,170.6	1.7	-2.8	32,975.8	6.1
Domestic	6,760.5	2.7	-3.5	27,160.0	7.4
International	1,052.5	-1.3	-1.7	4,392.4	3.7
Regional	357.6	-6.8	7.3	1,423.3	-9.3

			Month-on-		Year-on-Year
		Year-on-Year	Month	Cumulative	Cumulative
	April 2017	Change (%)	Change (%)	2017	Change (%)
5. Total Cargo and Mail carried (in tonnes)	153,642.7	5.7	-0.5	569,416.8	5.0
Domestic	88,137.3	3.4	-1.4	334,199.6	3.9
International	58,668.5	9.3	1.0	210,409.5	7.1
Regional	6,837.0	6.5	-0.7	24,807.7	4.2
III. Load Factor					
1. Passenger Load Factor (%) ⁷	80.9	0.6	-0.1	81.7	1.9
Domestic	82.6	-0.0	-0.4	83.3	1.3
International	78.4	1.9	0.0	79.7	2.9
Regional	75.8	-0.3	5.6	74.8	-0.0
2. Cargo and Mail Load Factor (%) ⁸	56.9	2.9	1.6	52.3	1.8
Domestic	39.8	-3.2	3.3	36.0	-4.7
International	65.8	6.7	-0.6	61.6	6.2
Regional	40.8	0.2	0.5	36.4	2.9
3. Overall Load Factor (%)9	71.2	1.5	0.3	69.7	2.0
Domestic	71.5	-1.6	0.8	70.3	-1.1
International	71.2	4.8	-0.5	69.5	5.0
Regional	65.8	-0.7	3.9	64.0	0.7

Notes:

- 1. "ATK(s)" refers to the number of tonnes of capacity available for transportation multiplied by the kilometers flown
- 2. "ASK(s)" refers to the number of seats available for sale multiplied by the kilometers flown
- 3. "AFTK(s)" refers to the number of tonnes of capacity available for the carriage of cargo and mail multiplied by the kilometers flown
- 4. "RTK(s)" refers to the revenue load (passenger and cargo) in tonnes multiplied by the kilometers flown
- 5. "RPK(s)" refers to the number of revenue passengers carried multiplied by the kilometers flown
- 6. "RFTK(s)" refers to the revenue cargo and mail load in tonnes multiplied by the kilometers flown
- 7. "Passenger Load Factor" refers to revenue passenger kilometers expressed as a percentage of available seat kilometers

- 8. "Cargo and Mail Load Factor" refers to revenue freight tonne kilometers expressed as a percentage of available freight tonne kilometers
- 9. "Overall Load Factor" refers to RTKs expressed as a percentage of available tonne kilometers

The key operating data above was calculated based on the internal statistics of the Group, which may differ from the data disclosed in the relative periodic reports. Investors are hereby reminded of the risks which may results from inappropriate reliance upon or utilization of the information given above.

By Order of the Board
Rao Xinyu
Board Secretary

Beijing, the PRC, 15 May 2017