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JKIA Voted Best African Cargo Airport for the Second Time in 2015

NAIROBI– Kenya Airports Authority is pleased to announce that Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) has for the second year won the "STAT TIMES" International Award for Excellence in Air cargo in the highly acclaimed category of African Airport of the year.

Jomo Kenyatta International Airport first won the award in 2011 when it participated in the survey for the first time, while in 2013 JKIA was the runner up. The winners of the awards are determined based on the most votes generated within the industry. The worldwide readers of STAT TIMES indicate their choice through an online poll, spanning a month, and the top two with maximum number of votes polled are chosen as the “winner” and the “highly acclaimed” in each category.

Mr Yatich Kangugo, Ag. Managing Director Kenya Airports Authority expressed his appreciation at receiving the award, “This award validates our ongoing efforts to improving facilities at JKIA Cargo area, and our excellence in customer service. It is evident to me that our staff at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport have truly embraced our vision of providing globally competitive airport facilities and services.”

“I would like to congratulate all the stakeholders of Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for their collective effort in making this possible. I would also like to commend the Government of Kenya and our parent Ministry of Transport and

Infrastructure for their continued efforts and support in developing JKIA into a major cargo hub in Africa. “

In 2014 Jomo Kenyatta International Airport handled 300,000 tons of cargo. For the past 10 years, JKIA has witnessed a significant boost in air cargo traffic to and from Europe, Asia, America, and most recently China and Australia. This is what has culminated in JKIA being an emerging force and destination in the air cargo industry. Through deliberate planning and embracing public and private sector participation, the airport has registered a steady transformation in the way air cargo is managed.

Since 2010 JKIA has witnessed the entry of several modern transit sheds, increasing its overall capacity to 1 million tons annually. In 2012 Swissport and Transglobal started their operations. Transglobal transit shed boasts of an electric transfer vehicle, making JKIA one of the top four airports in Africa with that facility. In 2014 Signon opened their ultra modern transit shed with a capacity to handle 200,000 metric tons per annum.

The award, which was presented to the Ag. Managing Director, by the Commercial Manager Cargo Mr. William Simba, was presented at a ceremony at the Barnyard Theatre in Rivonia, South Africa, on the 26th of February 2014. The award ceremony which was for the 2014 top performers was attended by a galaxy of leaders from the air cargo industry.

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About Kenya Airports Authority

The Kenya Airports Authority is an autonomous body established in 1991 through an Act of Parliament and is charged with an umbrella responsibility of providing and managing a coordinated system of airports in Kenya. KAA manages 4 International airports, 4 domestic airports and several airstrips. The main airports managed by KAA are:-Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Moi International Airport (MIA), Eldoret International Airport (EIA) and Kisumu International Airport (KIA).

JKIA, the flagship airport of Kenya contributes about 10.9% of the Kenyan GDP. The airport is currently undergoing an expansion and rehabilitation of its infrastructure.

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