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QATAR AIRWAYS ALL SET TO MOVE FULL OPERATIONS TO HAMAD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Qatar Airways' Passengers to
Enjoy Five-Star Experience
at New World-Class Airport

All Qatar Airways Flights to
Operate from HIA from 09:00
on 27 May

Qatar Airways is all set to move and commence its flight operations from Hamad International Airport on 27 May at 09:00 Doha time. This historic move will enable Qatar Airways' passengers to enjoy a comprehensive Qatar Airways' five-star experience at the world's newest international gateway.

The move will mean that as of 09:00 Doha time on 27 May, all commercial passenger airlines operating into Qatar will be arriving and departing from Hamad International Airport.

"The move of our entire operations to HIA is a momentous occasion for Qatar Airways, and one that we have been preparing for extensively for a long time," said Qatar Airways Chief Executive Officer, His Excellency Mr. Akbar Al Baker. "Our move to HIA heralds a new beginning for Qatar Airways, as we will now be based in a world-class hub that has been entirely designed to meet the needs and expectations of even the most discerning passengers.

"With the capacity to handle 8,700 customers per hour, HIA will provide a seamless, hassle-free experience to our passengers, from check-in to passport control and boarding. Qatar Airways passengers will be thrilled to enjoy the comfort and functional design of the new airport, along with the exceptional shopping and dining choices it offers."

The HIA Passenger Terminal Complex will house a total of 138 check-in counters across five islands, including 108 counters for Qatar Airways Economy passengers and all other airlines, 16 counters dedicated to Qatar Airways Business Class travellers and 14 luxury, bespoke, seated check-in counters for Qatar Airways First Class passengers.



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Check-in Row:

Qatar Airways First Class - Row 1□

Qatar Airways Business Class - Row 2□

Qatar Airways Economy Class - Rows 3, 4 and 5

All passengers are advised to arrive three hours before their flight, with check-in closing one hour before departure for Economy Class, and 45 minutes before departure for First and Business Class. e-Gates are already operational in both the departures and arrivals areas, offering holders of an e-Gate Card an even swifter journey through the new airport. Helpful HIA staff will also be readily available to assist at the numerous information desks and throughout the airport.

Hamad International Airport offers 40,000 square metres of combined retail, food and beverage facilities, establishing the airport as a premier shopping and dining destination. With more than 70 retail outlets offering an unprecedented selection of designer labels, high street fashion, electronics, gourmet foods and much more, Qatar Duty Free at HIA will cater to passengers every taste. In addition, more than 30 cafes and restaurants will offer a sumptuous selection of global and local cuisine.

The new airport is located on the East coast of the peninsula, just 16km from the centre of Doha and 4km from DIA. Thanks to a sophisticated newly-built road infrastructure surrounding HIA, arrival time to the airport is around 25 minutes, depending on the traffic. Qatar Airways passengers can travel to HIA via car, bus, taxi or limo services.

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Notes to Editors:

Qatar Airways is the national carrier of the State of Qatar. Currently undergoing rapid expansion, Qatar Airways is one of the fastest growing airlines operating one of the youngest fleets in the world. Now in its 17th year of operations, Qatar Airways has a modern fleet of 134 aircraft flying to 140 key business and leisure destinations across six continents.

On October 30, 2013, Qatar Airways joined the oneworld Alliance, becoming the first Gulf carrier to join a global airline alliance, enabling its customers to benefit from almost 1,000 airports in more than 150 countries, with 14,000 daily departures.

Award-winning carrier Qatar Airways was presented with three honours at the annual Skytrax 2013 World Airline Awards held during the Paris Air Show at Le Bourget, France, last June. The airline was awarded World's Best Business Class, World's Best Business Class Lounge and, for the second consecutive year, Best Airline Staff Service in the Middle East.

During the 2013 Dubai Air Show the airline placed orders for more than 60 new aircraft – a mixture of Boeing 777X and Airbus A330 Freighters. In total the airline has 300 aircraft on order worth more than US \$50 billion. For more information, visit our homepage www.qatarairways.com or our sites on Facebook, Twitter, Google+, Instagram, and YouTube.

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