## Press release



## Condor flight DE 4048 to Seattle started

The inaugural flight was celebrated at Frankfurt Airport

Kelsterbach, 23 June 2011 – Today at 14.30 hours, the leisure carrier Condor started its inaugural flight to Seattle from Frankfurt with a Boeing 767-300. By including the largest city in the Pacific Northwest, Condor expands its network to 39 long-haul destinations.

"Seattle is the most important traffic hub and the economic and cultural centre in Pacific Northwest of USA", says Ralf Teckentrup, President of the Executive Board of Condor Flugdienst GmbH. "This destination offers our passengers new opportunities for exploring the American continent with convenient connections from Alaska Airlines. Condor thus establishes itself as an airline with a multifaceted and optimally coordinated flight plan".

Due to its proximity to Mount Rainier National Park, Seattle is an ideal starting point for hiking and mountaineering trips. The metropolis offers opportunities for various sports activities such as sailing, rafting and other water sports, but also sets cultural accents: The numerous museums and theatres and the famous Seattle Symphony Orchestra and the Pacific Northwest Ballet make the city one of the most important cultural centres in the United States. As a location for Boeing, Microsoft and Amazon, the region also plays an important role from the economical perspective.

In order to make the inaugural flight to Seattle a unique event, Condor Flugdienst GmbH together with Fraport AG planned a inaugural flight event, in which the new destination was commemorated. By cutting the traditional ribbon, Ralf Teckentrup, President of the Executive Board, and Dr. Stefan Schulte, CEO Fraport, sealed the inaugural flight. The aid organisation Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen – Wings of Help e.V. was present at the gate and offered the passengers of the flight the opportunity to get small souvenirs of the first flight to Seattle. The aid organisation has been working in close cooperation with Condor and Fraport AG for years.

From now on passengers can fly to Seattle at a one-way price including all taxes and fees starting from 349 Euro for the Economy Class, 499 Euro for the Premium Economy Class and 849 Euro for the Comfort Class. Condor flights can be booked in all travel agencies, online at www.condor.com or via telephone 01805/767757 (0.14 Euro/minute from the German landlines, max. 0.42 Euro/minute from cell phones).

Condor Flugdienst GmbH was founded in 1956 and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Thomas Cook, one of the world's leading travel companies. Every year some six million passengers fly with Condor to over 70 destinations in Europe, Asia, Africa and America. The fleet of this leisure carrier consists of 34 modern and environmentally friendly aircraft: twelve Airbus A320s, 13 Boeing 757-300s and nine

Boeing 767-300s. All Boeing planes are maintained by Condor Technik GmbH, and maintenance of the Airbus fleet is handled by Condor Berlin GmbH. Both are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Condor Flugdienst GmbH.

Condor pictures and photos of the inaugural flight are available on request.

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