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“American Trans Air and Travel City Direct Move Flights to Orlando Sanford International Airport”

Sanford, Fla., May 3, 2001 – Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB) announced today that American Trans Air (ATA) will begin flying into SFB on June 29, 2001. The flights are part of a large program operated on behalf of United Kingdom (UK) tour operator, Travel City Direct. The program will operate using ATA’s 362-seat L1011-100 aircraft, with a schedule of nine flights per week, and bring an additional 110,000 passengers through the airport. Originating cities in the UK are: London, Manchester, Belfast, Edinburgh and Prestwick. The flights will continue until November 12, 2001, and then pause until resuming again June 2002.

Travel City Direct, Managing Director Geoff Medhurst, said, “We are delighted that virtually all our flights to Florida will now come through Orlando Sanford International Airport. Their arrival procedures dramatically reduce the time our customers spend getting from an aircraft and out of the door to start their holiday. This means the airport experience is smooth, fast and hassle-free and that our customers can start enjoying their holiday right away.”

He went on to say, “As the UK’s largest independent Florida operator we took more than 120,000 people to Florida from the UK last year and it’s essential for us to continue providing the type of high quality, low cost holidays that people expect from Travel City Direct. We have our own Arrivals Centre at Orlando Sanford, our representatives are based there and with Dollar Rent-a-Car located at the airport too, we offer, quite simply, the most convenient and stress free airport experience for anyone travelling to Florida.”

ATA has a long history with Travel City Direct as their exclusive carrier for the program over the past eight years. Kayle Funkhouser, Director of Sales and Planning for ATA remarked, “We are pleased to support Travel City Direct in their consolidation efforts in the Orlando market. This program is important to us and ATA is anxious to begin operations at Orlando Sanford.”

Orlando Sanford International Airport is ranked among the 16 busiest airports in the nation based on international passenger traffic, and is a convenient gateway to/from Central Florida. Located near the Orlando attractions, the Airport is also very convenient to Daytona Beach. Adjacent to the airport are the business communities of Lake Mary and Heathrow, part of Florida’s “High Tech Corridor.” Airlines and their passengers enjoy free parking, a congestion-free environment, short walking distances and low operating costs.

For more information, visit the airport’s website at www.orlandosanfordairport.com or their terminal management company, Orlando Sanford International, Inc., at www.osi-airport.com.