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**Orlando Sanford International Airport First to Electronically
Transmit Fingerprint Records Through A Virtual Private
Network To Aviation Security Clearinghouse**

Sanford, FL, February 22, 2002 – Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB) is the first airport in the nation to use a Virtual Private Network (VPN) to electronically transmit fingerprint records to the Aviation Security Clearinghouse (ASC). The airport uses the Cross Match Technologies ID 1000™ Live Scan Fingerprint System to perform background checks on all employees with secure access and to transmit the records through the VPN. Using a VPN, instead of a standard dial-up connection, allows faster processing time and increases the security and privacy of the fingerprint records being submitted.

Larry Dale, President of the Sanford Airport Authority, commented, “Being able to transmit fingerprints through a VPN will make our background check process more seamless. The ID 1000 system has reduced the time needed for background checks from about six weeks to 48 hours and with the additional advantage of being able to use a VPN to transmit records we will communicate faster and have a more secure environment. This system will provide our customers with the latest technology advances in security.” Ted Johnson, Chairman and CEO of Cross Match, stated “As the industry leader, Cross Match is proud to be able to assist Orlando Sanford International Airport with the first successful transmission of electronic fingerprint records through a Virtual Private Network to the Aviation Security Clearinghouse. We are committed to providing airports with the best identification solutions within the shortest turn-around time.”

Two years ago, Congress passed an industry-wide program, the Airport Security Improvement Act of 2000. This mandate required that individual applicant background checks be performed by fingerprint submission to the FBI for all new employees at Category X Airports, which are the largest facilities. Since the tragic events of September 11, additional legislation has been enacted that requires criminal background checks on all existing and new employees with access to secured areas at all of the nation's airline airports.

Orlando Sanford International Airport is located near the Orlando attractions and is also 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 convenient parking, new terminal facilities, short walking distances, and low operating costs. The Airports Council International (ACI) ranked SFB as the fastest growing North American airport in 2000, among airports with one million or more annual passengers.

For more information about SFB, visit the airport's website at www.OrlandoSanfordAirport.com. Additional information on Cross Match Technologies, Inc. is available at www.crossmatch.net.