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**Orlando Sanford Receives Award From Thomas Cook Airlines
Airport recognized as “Best Overseas Airport Operation”**

Sanford, FL, March 19, 2004 – Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB) announced today that it has been honored as the “Best Overseas Airport Operation” by Thomas Cook Airlines UK Limited, the United Kingdom’s second-largest leisure airline. The award was bestowed on Thursday, March 18, 2004 at Thomas Cook Airlines’ inaugural “On-Time” Performance Awards.

The ceremony, held at Manchester Town hall in England, acknowledged the airline’s partners who have helped them achieve its best ever on-time performance. Thomas Cook was the top performing UK charter airline as reported by the Air Transport Users Council (AUC), with a system-wide average delay of only 12.1 minutes for summer 2003. The AUC is the UK’s consumer council for air travelers.

Glen Chipp, Managing Director of Thomas Cook Airlines UK, remarked, “We salute all our partners for their extraordinary dedication and enthusiasm and thank them for the exceptional service they have given us.” Commenting on Orlando Sanford, Mr. Chipp stated, “A good partnership between the Airport and Thomas Cook has been achieved through regular communication, ensuring the airport side of the operation runs smoothly at our busiest long haul destination.” Larry Gouldthorpe, President of TBI Airport Management, remarked, “We are honored to receive this award and congratulate Thomas Cook on their world-wide achievement. We recognize success is a two-way street and this award is a testimony to not only the airport staff, but to our friends at Thomas Cook Airlines.”

Orlando Sanford International Airport offers visitors the “Best of Both Worlds,” located midway between Orlando’s World Class attractions and the World’s Most Famous Beach - Daytona Beach; both are only 45 minutes away.

For more information about SFB, visit the airport’s website at

www.OrlandoSanfordAirport.com.