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**Orlando Sanford Announces New Flights to 11  
Destinations as Caribbean Hub for Vacation Express  
(Seven Year Agreement will Ensure Strong Growth Trend)**

**Sanford, FL, January 15, 2004** – Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB) announced today that Vacation Express will return its Caribbean hub operation to Orlando Sanford on April 23, 2004. Under the terms of a recently executed seven year agreement, flights will operate every Friday, Saturday, and Monday using 148-seat 737 aircraft. Cities served by Vacation Express, and available for immediate purchase by both Central Floridians and visitors are: Atlanta, Cincinnati, Baltimore, Charlotte, Louisville, Nashville, Aruba, Cancun, Liberia-Costa Rica, and Punta Cana and Puerto Plata in the Dominican Republic. Reservations can be made online at [www.VacationExpress.com](http://www.VacationExpress.com), toll-free by calling 1-866-FUN-2-SUN, or by contacting a travel agent.

Gantt Cookson, Vice President of Operations for Vacation Express, remarked on the new service, “We are delighted to once again, bring more visitors to Orlando and also offer the only regular nonstops in Central Florida to Aruba, Cancun, Liberia, Punta Cana, and Puerto Plata. We are convinced the economics and location of Orlando Sanford are hard to beat, and look forward to building strong ties with the community.” Larry Gouldthorpe, President of TBI Airport Management, Inc. at Orlando Sanford commented on the good news, “For the past 14 months, we have been in continuous contact with Vacation Express regarding the hub at Orlando Sanford. It is satisfying to see our efforts rewarded. Going forward, we will be every bit as conscientious about the services we deliver to Vacation Express and their passengers. Great service at low cost will continue to be our hallmark as we work closely with Vacation Express to develop their product.”

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Along with an estimated 250,000 new annual passengers, Vacation Express' presence will add approximately 2,400 commercial airline operations per year at the airport which is already experiencing blistering growth in the domestic air service arena. "This new agreement with Vacation Express will solidify Orlando Sanford's role in the Central Florida commercial service market. It will, no doubt, act as an additional catalyst for future development at the airport", stated Larry Dale, President of the Sanford Airport Authority.

Orlando Sanford International Airport offers visitors and Central Floridians alike, 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. 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 a stress-free environment, convenient parking, new terminal facilities, short walking distances, and attractive pricing.

For more information about SFB, visit the airport's website at [www.OrlandoSanfordAirport.com](http://www.OrlandoSanfordAirport.com).