



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Air Mauritius appoints Airline Marketing Australia as General Sales Agent.**

Air Mauritius is pleased to announce the appointment of Airline Marketing Australia (AMA) to act as its General Sales Agent in Australia, New Zealand & South West Pacific, effective from 1 September 2009.

Manoj R K Ujoodha, G.O.S.K., CEO of Air Mauritius says " We are delighted with the appointment of AMA as our new GSA and partner in further developing the Australian, New Zealand and South Pacific markets. As national airline of the Republic of Mauritius – we have a critical role in promoting tourism to Mauritius, promoting Mauritius as a hub and establishing a bridge between the two countries especially for the large Mauritian community based in Australia. Air Mauritius has been operating to Australia for the last 18 years and is fully committed to growing the frequencies as soon as the market recovers after the unprecedented worldwide economic crisis."

"We are all excited with the opportunities to further develop visitor numbers to Mauritius and beyond. We will be working even closer with our trade partners to promote our services and continue investing in the market with renewed enthusiasm. We will also be very attentive to the needs of the Mauritian community whose loyalty to the national airline has helped the development of our Australian operations. We now have a wide coverage and flexibility in Australia through our partnership with Virgin Blue connecting from all major cities into our current destinations – Perth and Melbourne" says Steven Palombo, Manager Australia.

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Spiros Alysandratos, the CEO of the Consolidated Travel Group and Airline Marketing Australia (AMA), says "We are delighted to have been chosen to represent Air Mauritius in Australia. We look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship that will see Mauritius promoted as a wonderful holiday destination."

Airline Marketing Australia (AMA) is the airline representation subsidiary of the Consolidated Travel Group of Companies, the largest privately owned distributor of airline products in Australia, and has been in business for over forty years.

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*Air Mauritius is the national carrier of the Republic of Mauritius in the Indian Ocean. Created in 1967, it currently operates a fleet of five A340-300, two A340-300E, two A319-100, one A330-200 and two ATR72-500. Air Mauritius presently flies to twenty-four destinations in Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa and the Indian Ocean.*

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