

ANA to introduce MPL Training for Pilots

TOKYO, December 10th, 2013 - ANA is to introduce a new type of basic training into its pilot education program. Multi-crew Pilot License (MPL) training is specifically designed for aircraft cockpits crewed by two pilots and was introduced in 2006 by the International Civil Aviation Organization.

ANA will begin MPL training from summer 2014 and will outsource the training to Lufthansa Flight Training GmbH (LFT)*¹, the flight training subsidiary of Lufthansa, one of ANA's Star Alliance partners as well as Joint Venture partner.

The MPL training is expected to result in a significant reduction in training time compared to previous training methods, but it will effectively and efficiently allow trainees not only to acquire piloting skills, but also essential skills required for airline operations including supporting flight operations. ANA decided to introduce the training after determining it met the group's requirements as a mean of providing effective, consistent training from basic stages to training on actual aircraft.

LFT has a proven track record, and more than 400 copilots have already completed the course. ANA's training team and LFT have been working together for more than a year to combine their training know-how and prepare for the introduction of MPL.

**The plan is subject to the approval of the relevant authorities.*

*1:About LFT

LFT is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Lufthansa. The company specializes in training services and has a wealth of experience and technical expertise. LFT provides simulation training for pilots, emergency training, and service training for cabin attendants for more than 200 airlines, including airlines in the Lufthansa group. LFT has some of the largest training facilities in Europe including 39 flight simulators.

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All Nippon Airways (ANA) is the eighth largest airline in the world by revenues (2011) and the largest in Japan by passenger numbers (2012). Founded in 1952, ANA flies today to 31 international destinations and 50 domestic cities with a fleet of 232 aircraft serving a network of 175 routes. ANA has 14,000 employees. In 2012, it carried 45 million passengers and generated revenues of \$15.8 bn. ANA has been a core member of Star Alliance since 1999 and has joint-ventures with United Airlines on trans-Pacific and Asia routes and with Lufthansa, Swiss International Airlines and Austrian Airlines on Japan-Europe routes. Its Frequent Flyer Program, ANA Mileage Club, has more than 24 million members. ANA was voted Airline of the Year for 2013 by Air Transport World Magazines, and was awarded five stars by the world's leading Airline and Airport review site, SKYTRAX. ANA is the launch customer and biggest operator of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner.