ANA Launches Routes to Tokyo’s Haneda Airport from New York and Chicago on October 30, 2016

Japanese airline also announces new direct daily route between Mexico and Japan starting February 2017

TOKYO, May 12, 2016 – ANA, Japan’s largest airline, was awarded three daylight hour slots at Tokyo’s Haneda Airport (HND) and has decided to use two of those slots for its direct flights from New York (JFK) and Chicago (ORD) to increase the convenience for its passengers. Haneda Airport is located less than 30 minutes south of central Tokyo, considerably closer to the city center than Narita Airport, Tokyo’s other international airport. The new Haneda Airport routes will begin in the 2016 winter timetable. With services already operating from Los Angeles, Honolulu and Vancouver to Haneda Airport, this will increase the total number of flights to the central airport from North American cities to five.

Additionally, ANA announced today that starting in February 2017 it will begin direct flights from Tokyo to Mexico City, which will become ANA’s 42nd direct international destination. The Boeing 787-8 will fly direct daily flights from Narita International Airport (NRT) to Mexico City International Airport (MEX). ANA will become the only airline operating daily direct flights between Mexico and Japan.

Having entered into free trade agreements with 45 countries around the globe including Japan and the US, Mexico is becoming increasingly attractive as a manufacturing and export center, and over the five years since 2010, foreign direct investment from Japan has increased by approximately 2.7 times (*1) and the number of Japanese-owned corporations with operations in Mexico has approximately doubled (*2). As such, economic ties between Japan and Mexico are growing stronger every year, particularly in the automobile industry. As the TPP comes into effect, the relationship between Mexico and Japan is expected to become increasingly important.

(*1) JETRO (*2) Ministry of Foreign Affairs

ANA has been preparing for the launch of direct flights to Mexico since the opening of the Mexico City Sales Office in July 2015. In June 2015, ANA began offering flights between Narita and Houston, allowing passengers to easily travel from seven cities in Mexico by transferring onto code-share flights.

*Plans are subject to approval by the relevant authorities.
*Further details will be provided separately at a later date.

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About ANA:
ANA is the largest airline in Japan by revenues and passenger numbers. Founded in 1952, ANA flies today on 83 international routes and 116 domestic routes. The ANA group has 35,000 employees and a fleet of about 250 aircraft. In FY2015, it carried 50.8 million passengers and generated revenues of 1.79 trillion Japanese yen. ANA has been a 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 26 million members. ANA was voted Airline of the Year for 2013 by Air Transport World Magazine, and in 2016 was awarded five stars for the fourth consecutive year by the world's leading Airline and Airport review site, SKYTRAX. ANA is the launch customer and biggest operator of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner.