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AIR FRANCE KLM MARTINAIR Cargo opens a new cargo handling facility at New York – JFK airport

Air France – KLM Cargo has opened a new state of the art cargo handling facility at New York's John F. Kennedy (JFK) airport. This new facility was designed to accommodate handling all types of cargo, from specific attention cargo like pharmaceutical or live animals to express cargo requiring quick transit and of course general cargo.

Andy Newbold, Regional Director for AFKLM Cargo stated that "Air France – KLM Cargo is delighted to present this significant upgrade in facilities and infrastructure at JFK boosting our competitive edge".

The new facility offers split cool chain enclosures, 2-8°C with storage capability of 72 cubic meters, and 15-25°C storage capability of 108 cubic meters. There will also be ten Active container charging points and a bank strong room offering top level security for your precious cargo.

For the transportation of live animals, physically sharing a building with The ARK at JFK is mutually beneficial. The ARK will open in the fall but will offer previously unseen levels of service and care for all types of live animals providing boarding, kennels, quarantine, import, export and transportation of large and small animals. Additional services will include transportation in dedicated climate controlled vehicles from aircraft, terminals, cargo facilities and other airport locations. The ARK will set new global airport standards for comprehensive veterinary, kenneling and quarantine services.

For General Cargo operations very strong essential technology is utilized. This carefully selected option allows the AF-KL Cargo facility to continue to work through power outages and without risk of mechanical breakdowns. A ULD 'roll-through' option allows super-fast acceptance and processing of Unit Load Devices for all shipments. A new Express acceptance door will ensure drivers are served immediately supporting the significant continuing surge in e-commerce that carriers have experienced during the past two years.

The efficiency to serve our customers will greatly improve also due 50% more truck dock doors and ample space for 53 feet trailers to maneuver, dock and park on the landside area of building 78. The staff parking is physically separated from the truck area and there will be no pedestrians crossing the truck maneuver area, an important safety aspect.

Mr. Newbold concluded "It is very exciting to be able to present the AF-KL Cargo brand at this high level. Together with the North East Commercial and Customer Service teams we will be able to ensure that the unique features of our new facility will exceed the expectations of our customers."

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About Air France KLM Group

Air France KLM Group is a global airline with a strong European base. Main areas of business are passenger transport, cargo transport and aeronautical maintenance. Air France-KLM is the leading Group in international traffic from CDG and SPL, which stand in the top 3 European cargo hubs. With a fleet of 534 aircraft in operation and 89.8 million passengers carried in 2015, Air France-KLM operates to 320 destinations in 114 countries from its hubs at Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Amsterdam-Schiphol.

In 2015, Air France-KLM Martinair Cargo carried 1.2 million tons of cargo. In addition to its global network of passenger aircraft, the group offers cargo main deck capacity on 2 B777 Freighters, 4 B747-400 Freighters, and 13 B747-400 Combis.

Air France and KLM are members of the SkyTeam alliance, which has 20 member airlines, offering customers access to a global network of over 16,320 daily flights to more than 1,000 destinations in 179 countries.

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