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Lufthansa Cargo adds additional freighter to AeroLogic fleet

Lufthansa Cargo will take delivery of a fourth brand-new freighter in the current calendar year. The 777F freighter will be leased from Boeing and operated by AeroLogic (3S) at Leipzig/Halle Airport (LEJ). This will take the AeroLogic fleet to twelve aircraft this year. The newest jet is expected to arrive in the fall.

“We are delighted to be in a position to put four brand-new freighters into operation this year. This will effectively modernize our own fleet at our Frankfurt Airport base and further boost our efficiency and reliability. At the same time, we are focusing as a shareholder on growing AeroLogic, our fifty-fifty joint venture with DHL Express at Leipzig Airport,” emphasized Peter

Gerber, CEO and Chairman of the Executive Board of Lufthansa Cargo.

“We are contributing to the success of both of our partners through our flexibility. We are pleased that AeroLogic, offering one of the most modern and efficient freighter fleets in the world, is continuing to grow at Leipzig Airport,” said Wolfgang Raebiger, Managing Director Finance of AeroLogic GmbH.

Back in summer 2018, Lufthansa Cargo announced its intention to purchase two aircraft of this type to be stationed at its Frankfurt Airport base and to lease another for AeroLogic. The additions to the Lufthansa Cargo fleet are expected to arrive at their future Frankfurt base in mid-February and late March, while the first new jet for AeroLogic should reach Leipzig in early February.

The new AeroLogic aircraft will be given the registrations D-AALK and D-AALL. Lufthansa Cargo will market all of the capacity of these two freighters. DHL Express added two freighters of the same type to the joint venture in 2017 and has since been marketing their capacity exclusively. The cargo capacity of the other eight aircraft is mainly used by Lufthansa Cargo at the weekend and DHL Express at other times.

Lufthansa Cargo AG

Lufthansa Cargo ranks among the world’s leading air freight carriers. In the 2017 business year, the airline transported around 1.6 million tonnes of freight and mail and sold 8.9 billion revenue tonne- kilometres. The company currently employs about 4,500 people worldwide. Lufthansa Cargo focuses on the airport-to-airport business. The cargo carrier serves around 300 destinations in more than 100 countries with its own fleet of freighters, the belly capacities of passenger aircraft operated by Lufthansa, Austrian Airlines and Eurowings, and an extensive road feeder service network. The bulk of the cargo business is routed through Frankfurt Airport. Lufthansa Cargo is a wholly owned Lufthansa subsidiary of Deutsche Lufthansa AG.

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