



Arrival of the D-ALFF “Konnichiwa Japan” at Narita Airport in Tokyo, Japan

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## **Lufthansa Cargo names new B777F “Konnichiwa Japan”**

### **Naming ceremony held in Tokyo to welcome the freighter to the fleet**

The new B777F aircraft D-ALFF was officially named yesterday at Narita Airport in Tokyo, Japan. In future, the Lufthansa Cargo freighter will be called “Konnichiwa Japan” (“Good day, Japan”). The aircraft was named in a joint ceremony by Peter Gerber, CEO and Chairman of the Executive Board of Lufthansa Cargo, Dr Hans Carl von Werthern, the German Ambassador to Japan, Yasuo Ishii, Administrator of Narita International Airport, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, East Japan Civil Aviation Bureau, Narita International Airport Office and Futoshi Osada, Senior Executive Vice

President, Narita International Airport Corporation.

In keeping with Japanese tradition, a sake barrel was opened and the aircraft was sprinkled with Japan's national drink. The name chosen for the new aircraft, "Konnichiwa Japan", symbolises Japan's importance as one of the most important markets for air cargo worldwide. Peter Gerber said: "The greeting 'Konnichiwa Japan' expresses the close connection between Lufthansa Cargo and Japan. We are very proud to have been flying to the Land of the Rising Sun with our own freighters since 1969, thus contributing to trade between these markets." The company has been serving customers in Japan since 1961 and has been part of an air cargo joint venture with Japan's ANA Cargo since 2014.

The principle behind the naming convention used for new Lufthansa Cargo freighters is based on a creative competition once organized by Lufthansa Cargo. The idea to "Say hello around the world" was ultimately chosen as the winner from more than 40,000 submissions and used to name the fleet. The Boeing 777F that was named in Tokyo yesterday is already the sixth B777F freighter using this naming convention.

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## **Lufthansa Cargo AG**

With a turnover of 2.7 billion euros and 8.9 billion revenue tonne-kilometres in 2018, Lufthansa Cargo is one of the world's leading companies in the transport of air freight. 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 German Airlines, Austrian Airlines, Brussels Airlines, Eurowings and SunExpress, 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 and Lufthansa Group's logistics specialist.

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