



# AIR CANADA INAUGURAL FLIGHT FROM VANCOUVER ARRIVED IN DUBAI

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**Air Canada' inaugural flight departed from Vancouver on Oct. 28 and has arrived in Dubai, linking Western Canada with the Middle East. Mark Galardo, Executive Vice President, Revenue and Network Planning, at Air Canada, commented: "We are very pleased to launch Air Canada's newest international route connecting Vancouver and Dubai. Not only are both cities two of the top cosmopolitan destinations worldwide renowned for their extraordinary landmarks, rich culture, entertainment and leisure adventures, this route links two global hub airports to offer customers unparalleled travel options and conveniences beyond, whether travelling for leisure, visiting friends and family, or for business. At YVR, our flights have been built to conveniently connect to and from destinations in Alberta, BC and the western USA. In Dubai in cooperation with our codeshare and frequent flyer partner Emirates, a multitude of destinations across the Middle East, Indian subcontinent and East Africa are available."**

Tamara Vrooman, President and CEO, Vancouver Airport Authority, said: "Dubai is an exciting destination for non-stop service to YVR. While exciting in its own right, this new Dubai service will also facilitate connections between Vancouver and the region, India and North Africa. I would like

to thank Air Canada for their continued investment in YVR as their premier transpacific hub. We are thrilled to welcome this new route and connect Western Canada with the United Arab Emirates for the benefit of our community and the economy that supports it."

Rob Whitehouse, Vice President of Research at Dubai Airports, stated: "Dubai Airports is delighted to welcome the addition of Vancouver to our continuously growing list of international destinations, made possible by the introduction of Air Canada's new service. With convenient departures from Dubai International (DXB), Air Canada's new flights provide a seamless link between the Canadian West Coast and Dubai. This expansion complements Air Canada's existing daily service between DXB and Toronto, and reaffirms our commitment to bringing more guests to Dubai, as well as expand our growing global connectivity."

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