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A Horse Fit for a King: Air Canada Cargo helps deliver RCMP's Noble to her new home

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Air Canada Cargo recently completed its first equine transport, and it wasn't just any horse. This one was destined for a King. King Charles III, that is.



The Royal Canadian Mounted Police gifted the horse, named Noble, to the King ahead of his coronation ceremony in May. Air Canada Cargo made use of its new Equine shipping expertise with its freighter aircraft to transport the Mare from Canada to her new home in royal style.

Accompanied by an equine attendant, this magnificent animal flew in a specifically designed, state-of-the-art stall used by Air Canada Cargo to provide the best level of animal welfare and groom safety possible.

"We are extremely proud to have been able to send Noble to her new home and life with the Royal Family. Air Canada Cargo takes great pride in the safe and humane transport of animals, and our new equine service provides the highest standard of safety and care for these magnificent animals," said Matthieu Casey, Managing Director, Commercial, for Air Canada Cargo.

"Horses present a unique challenge when travelling by trailer, but that challenge is even more amplified when moving a horse by plane. Add in the fact this was a gift for His Majesty King Charles III and the pressure really ramps up. I've been part of a few horse transports via air and this one went off without a hitch thanks to the great work and assistance of Air Canada Cargo. With this being their inaugural equine transport through their specialized service, the experience was all the more impressive in ensuring Noble's safe and smooth transport to Europe," said Riding Master, Sergeant Major Scott Williamson, RCMP Musical Ride.

Overseas Horse Services said:

We are very excited to have been a part of the team that coordinated the first equine shipment by Air Canada Cargo. We are also incredibly honoured to have been the shipping agent chosen by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to manage the travel of His Majesty King Charles III's horse on a Canadian carrier. We are looking forward to a bright future in international horse transportation with Air Canada Cargo.

Air Canada Cargo offers the highest service level for horse transportation, compliant with the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Live Animal Regulations. Earlier this year, Air Canada become the first airline to be <u>re-certified by IATA for the</u> <u>safe transport of live animals by Air Canada Cargo</u>.



