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Air Canada Jazz inaugurates daily year-round non-stop services between Ottawa and Washington (Reagan National), D.C.; Saskatoon; Thunder Bay, and Charlottetown

MONTREAL, May 1 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada, through its regional affiliate Jazz, launched today new non-stop year-round flights between Ottawa and four new markets: the only twice daily, year-round non-stop service between Ottawa and Washington (Reagan National), D.C.; and the only daily, year-round non-stop service between Ottawa and Saskatoon, Thunder Bay and Charlottetown.

"Air Canada has been steadily building its Ottawa presence in response to market demand and it now connects the capital to 23 destinations with non-stop service. This summer's schedule provides for a 19 per cent increase in departing capacity over the previous summer," said Daniel Shurz, Vice President, Network Planning. "Residents of the National Capital Region now have more choice than ever when flying and visitors arriving for both business and leisure will enjoy unprecedented access. This includes international destinations through Air Canada's new non-stop Ottawa-Frankfurt flight beginning June 1 and its continuing non-stop Ottawa-London service."

Ottawa-Washington (Reagan National Airport) - twice daily, year-round non-stop service between Ottawa and Washington National. Operated with 50-seat, Bombardier regional jet aircraft, this is the fastest way to downtown Washington. Flights will depart Ottawa at 6:50 a.m. and 6:10 p.m. Return flights depart Washington at 9:00 a.m. and 8:15 p.m.

Ottawa-Saskatoon - daily, year-round non-stop service using 75-seat, Bombardier CRJ-705 regional jet aircraft, featuring both Executive and Economy Class seating and personal audio-visual entertainment at every seat, this is the only daily non-stop service between the two cities. Flight AC8981 will depart Ottawa at 9:40 a.m. and arrive in Saskatoon at 11:20 a.m. Flight AC8982 will depart Saskatoon at noon and arrive in Ottawa at 5:15 p.m. This route will also feature one-stop same-plane service to and from Montreal with AC8981 departing Montreal at 8:25 a.m. and AC8982 arriving in Montreal at 6:38 p.m.

Ottawa-Thunder Bay - daily, year-round non-stop service using 50-seat, Bombardier regional jet aircraft, this is the only daily, non-stop between the two cities. AC7769 will depart Ottawa at 11:25 a.m. and arrive in Thunder Bay at 1:25 p.m. AC 7768 will depart Thunder Bay at 1:55 p.m. and arrive in Ottawa at 3:40 p.m. This route will also feature one-stop same-plane service to Montreal with AC 7769 departing Montreal at 10:15 a.m. and AC 7768 arriving in Montreal at 4:50 p.m.

Ottawa-Charlottetown - daily, year-round service using 50-seat, Bombardier regional jet aircraft, this is the only daily, non-stop service between the two cities. AC8618 will depart Ottawa at 11:50 a.m. and arrive in Charlottetown at 2:05 p.m. Flight AC8619 will depart Charlottetown at 2:40 p.m. and arrive in Ottawa at 3:15 p.m.

Montreal-based Air Canada provides scheduled and charter air transportation for passengers and cargo to more than 170 destinations on five continents. Canada's flag carrier is the 14th largest commercial airline in the world and serves more than 33 million customers annually with a fleet consisting of more than 340 aircraft. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, providing the world's most comprehensive air transportation network.

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