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## AIR CANADA TO EXPAND SERVICE TO MEXICO CITY

MONTREAL, Aug. 31 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada today announced that beginning in November it will increase service between Mexico City and Canada with the resumption of daily flights to and from Montreal and the introduction of a new flight to and from Vancouver. Twice daily flights between Toronto and Mexico City will also continue year round.

"Air Canada began serving Mexico City 46 years ago. Over that time, Canada and Mexico have built close ties not only through family connections and a vibrant tourism market, but also due to business connections - particularly with the creation of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Air transport is vital to maintaining these relationships and Air Canada wants to ensure that there is sufficient capacity linking Canada and Mexico City to meet demand," said Ben Smith, Executive Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer at Air Canada. "In addition, in an increasingly global economy, travelers between Mexico and other parts of the world such as Europe and Asia find our major hubs in Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver are a convenient way to connect and take advantage of our extensive international network."

Air Canada currently operates twice daily service between Toronto and Mexico City using a 120-seat Airbus A319. Beginning November 1, Air Canada will launch additional daily service between Mexico City and Canada with the reintroduction of daily service to and from Montreal. On November 6, Air Canada will begin weekend service (Saturday and Sunday) between Vancouver and Mexico City that will increase to daily service starting December 1. All flights will be operated with Airbus A319 aircraft featuring Executive Service, individual seatback entertainment systems, the ability to collect Aeroplan miles and lounge access for qualified customers. The flights are also timed for convenient local and international connections.

### Montreal-Mexico City (Beginning November 1, 2010)

Flight	Depart (Daily)	Arrive
AC995	Montreal 16:30	Mexico City 21:20
AC994	Mexico City 9:30	Montreal 15:20

### Vancouver-Mexico City Weekend Service (Beginning November 6, 2010)

Flight	Depart (Saturday and Sunday)	Arrive
AC996	Vancouver 8:30	Mexico City 15:45
AC997	Mexico City 16:45	Vancouver 20:35

### Vancouver-Mexico City Daily Service (Beginning December 1, 2010)

Flight	Depart (Daily)	Arrive
AC996	Vancouver 8:30	Mexico City 15:45
AC997	Mexico City 16:45	Vancouver 20:35

Air Canada was named Best Airline North America in a worldwide survey of more than 17 million air travelers conducted by independent research firm Skytrax for its 2010 World Airline Awards. Air Canada also won four top honours in Business Traveler magazine's "Best in Business Travel" 2009 annual reader survey: "Best Flight Attendants in North America," "Best In-flight Services in North America," "Best North America Airline for Business Class Service," and "Best North American Airline for International Travel." In 2009 as well, the readers of Global Travel magazine voted Air Canada "Best Airline in Canada" and "Best Airline in North America."

Air Canada is Canada's largest domestic and international full-service airline providing scheduled and charter air transportation for passengers and cargo to more than 170 destinations on five continents. Canada's flag carrier is the 15th largest commercial airline in the world and serves 31 million customers annually. Air Canada provides scheduled passenger service directly to 59 destinations in Canada, 59 in the United States and 60 in Europe, the Middle East, Asia, Australia, the Caribbean, Mexico and South America. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, the world's most comprehensive air transportation network serving 1,167 destinations in 181 countries. Air Canada customers can collect Aeroplan miles for future rewards through

Canada's leading loyalty program, and Top Tier members enjoy reciprocal frequent flyer benefits including lounge and priority services.

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