



PRESS RELEASE

Kenya Airways and Royal Air Maroc reactivate codeshare partnership agreement

- **Increased connectivity between the hubs of two major African airlines in Nairobi and Casablanca**
- **Enhanced access to the continent's financial capitals, Nairobi, Johannesburg, Casablanca, and the major tourist destinations of Marrakech and Zanzibar**

Nairobi, 5th December 2022 -Kenya Airways (KQ) and Royal Air Maroc (RAM), have today signed an agreement to resume their Codeshare partnership, previously initiated in 2016 and discontinued in 2019.

Under the new agreement, Royal Air Maroc passengers will be able to travel to Nairobi, Zanzibar and Johannesburg on Kenya Airways network. KQ passengers will benefit from its network connections to the cities of Casablanca and Marrakech, as well as from the possibilities offered by the Moroccan national airline in terms of onward international travel, through its hub in Casablanca.

“This partnership strengthens our connectivity to the East and South of the African continent, thanks to a long-standing reliable partner, Kenya Airways. It will enable our passengers to reach Nairobi and Johannesburg, two important economic and financial capitals, as well as Zanzibar, a popular tourist destination», said Mr. Abdelhamid ADDOU, Chairman and CEO of Royal Air Maroc. He added: “We are pleased to continue to facilitate our customers' travel experiences and to develop our partnership strategy in the service of our position as the leading continental operator.”

For his part, Mr. Julius Thairu, KQ's Chief Commercial and Customer Officer said, “We are very happy to see this partnership reactivated as it will provide our travelers with improved connectivity options between our two hubs, Nairobi and Casablanca. Our customers will be able to enjoy the financial center of Casablanca and the tourist destination of Marrakech.”

Royal Air Maroc currently operates three weekly frequencies to Accra (Ghana) from Casablanca and will add three flights through its codeshare with KQ to Nairobi (Kenya) linking Accra to Johannesburg (South Africa) and Zanzibar (Tanzania).

KQ currently operates seven weekly flights between Nairobi and Accra. This new partnership will enable it to offer three flights per week to Casablanca and Marrakech, via Accra, the capital of Ghana.

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About Kenya Airways

Kenya Airways, a member of the SkyTeam Alliance, is a leading African airline flying to 42 destinations worldwide, 35 of which are in Africa. Prior to the COVID pandemic, the airline carried a record number of over five million passengers in 2019. Its fleet comprises of wide body Boeing aircraft, this includes



its flagship B787 Dreamliner and narrow body Embraer E190 aircraft. The on-board service is renowned and the lie-flat business class seat on the wide-body aircraft is consistently voted among the world's top 10. Kenya Airways takes pride in being at the forefront of connecting Africa to the World and the World to Africa through its hub at the new ultra-modern Terminal 1A at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi.

About Royal Air Maroc

Royal Air Maroc is a leading airline on the African continent. With a young fleet, it serves more than 85 destinations worldwide and carried over 8 million passengers in 2019. Capitalizing on Morocco's geographical position as a hub between Europe and Africa, Royal Air Maroc is positioning itself as a key international aviation player. In 2019, it carried nearly 2 million passengers on African routes.

A member of Oneworld since 2020, Royal Air Maroc is the first African airline to join this alliance of the world's major and prestigious airlines. Certified 4 Skytrax Stars since 2015, Royal Air Maroc was elected best African airline and fourth in the MENA zone in the "GT Tested Reader Survey" conducted by Global Traveler magazine.

About Kenya

Kenya is a country located in the East Africa region of the African continent, with a coastline on the Indian Ocean and with its capital city in Nairobi. Its geographical location includes the savannah, lake lands, mountain highlands, the world-renowned Great Rift Valley as well as several mountains such as Mt. Kenya and Mt. Elgon. Kenya is home to the big 5 species (lions, leopards, elephants, rhinos, and buffaloes) all in national parks and reserves spread across the country.

Other scenic attractions in the country include Mt Kilimanjaro's view from Amboseli National Park and the wildebeest's migration from Maasai Mara to Serengeti National Park in the neighbouring country, Tanzania. The capital Nairobi popularly referred to as the "green city in the sun" is also a well-known city for its business and convention activities. There are also several multinational corporations with offices in the city.

About Morocco

Morocco is a North African country bordering both the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea. It is distinguished by its Berber, Arabian, and European cultural influences. Its capital Rabat alongside Marrakesh, Fes, Casablanca, Meknes, and Tangier is known to attract tourists from across the world. On geographical attractions, Morocco has the Atlas and Rif Mountains that are habitats for the Barbary macaque, wild boars, and birds like eagles while the coastal areas host various plants like eucalyptus, loquat, and acacia while the mountainous regions have forests of evergreen, oak, fir, pine, and cedar among others.

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