

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## **Kenya Airways resumes Malindi Operations**

Nairobi, Monday, 06 May 2019....Travelers to Malindi have a reason to smile after National carrier Kenya Airways announced the resumption of flights to the idyllic Coastal town with four weekly flights starting 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019. The flight, to be operated by JamboJet using a Bombardier Q400 will increase the frequency of flights by four, in addition to the nine weekly flights to this destination.

The airline's re-entry to this route is a great boost to the town, well-known for its strong Italian connections when the airline launches the Rome-Geneva flights on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019. This is expected to create seamless connections and boost between Italy and Malindi, two areas that already share historic economic and social ties and will provide greater connectivity to other destinations within the KQ network.

Through the codeshare partnership with Alitalia, passengers from all over Italy will also be able to access the beautiful Kenya coastal town of Malindi through a one-stop service via Nairobi.

Kenya Airways Chief Commercial Officer Ms. Ursula Silling said, "As part of our growth strategy, we seek to link key markets within the KQ network to allow passengers seamless connectivity from all points."

Ms. Silling said the strengthening of the Kenya Airways network continues to be a key focal point for Kenya Airways and by resuming the Malindi route, the airline will be support the tourism industry at the Kenyan coast that has seen a resurgence in the recent days.

The Bombardier Q400 is designed to accommodate 76 passengers. The aircraft also seats two pilots and two flight attendants.

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## **About Kenya Airways**

Kenya Airways, a member of the Sky Team Alliance, is a leading African airline flying to 53 destinations worldwide, 43 of which are in Africa and carries over four million passengers annually. It continues to modernize its fleet with its 33 aircraft being some of the youngest in Africa. This includes its flagship B787 Dreamliner 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 for being in 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. Kenya Airways celebrated 42 years of operations in January 2018 and was named Africa Leading Airline 2018 by the World Travel Awards. For more information contact: <a href="media.relations@kenya-airways.com">media.relations@kenya-airways.com</a>