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One Year Later, McCarran's Terminal 3 Demonstrates Growth from International Markets

LAS VEGAS – It has been one year since the Clark County Department of Aviation opened Terminal 3 at McCarran International Airport, the first unit terminal to be constructed in the United States in the post-9/11 era. The technologically advanced, 1.9 million-square-foot expansion has allowed McCarran to significantly improve the travel experience for passengers and increased the airport's overall capacity, allowing Las Vegas to continue an upward trend in international visitor volume.

"Not only has T3 enhanced Las Vegas tourism by expanding our capacity for international visitors from both new and existing markets, it has also, in turn, opened up the world to travel for our community," said Steve Sisolak, Chair of the Board of Clark County Commissioners.

By the end of its first year in operation, "T3" will have served nearly 10.2 million passengers, including 3.9 million from airlines based in the D Concourse. With ticketing and baggage services just a tram-ride away from the D gates, Terminal 3 has not only expanded airport capacity with its addition of 14 gates, but has also alleviated congestion in Terminal 1 to the benefit of domestic customers.

"I am so proud of what we have accomplished with Terminal 3 in its first year, from local appreciation to industry accolades," said Rosemary Vassiliadis, Director of Aviation for Clark County. "We at McCarran are constantly working to refine our processes in order to provide the best customer service for our passengers today, and in the years to come. T3 epitomizes that approach."

Among those traveling through Terminal 3 in its inaugural year were 2.95 million international passengers, a figure 6.7 percent higher than the number of international passengers coming through McCarran during the same period the year prior. These visitors bring an estimated non-gaming economic impact of \$1.5 billion to the local community. Additionally, with regard to international passengers who require entry screening, U.S. Customs and Border Protection has processed nearly 11 percent more passengers since T3 opened than it had the year prior, and 57 percent more passengers than the agency processed locally just four years ago.

With the ongoing goal of attracting more international visitors to support the local economy, McCarran and the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority jointly market Las Vegas air service with a strategy that includes highlighting Terminal 3's technologies and its expansive port of entry. Terminal 3 has welcomed new international carriers such as Copa Airlines and InterJet, which have significantly expanded Las Vegas' reach into Latin America, and hosted five new international routes, including British Airways' London Gatwick service, a route that on its own is estimated to have a \$96 million economic impact on the community.

"International travelers are a key growth market for Las Vegas and Terminal 3 is an integral part of that strategy," said Clark County Commissioner and Chair of the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, Tom Collins. "Our goal is to increase the percentage of international visitors from 17 percent to 30 percent over the next decade."

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Terminal 3 Year One Fun Facts

- Each of Terminal 3's two trams makes 432 trips from T3 to the D gates and back in a 24-hour period. Together, the trams have travelled more than 94,000 miles since opening day.
- There have been more than 21,500 arrivals at Terminal 3 since June 27, 2012.
- More than 7.2 million bags have been processed through Terminal 3 in its first year – 3.7 million incoming bags and 3.5 million outbound.
- In one year, Terminal 3 has been stocked with more than 71,000 rolls of toilet paper, 1,850 gallons of hand soap, and 12.5 million linear feet in paper towels.
- The Burger King at Terminal 3 has sold more than 130,000 Whoppers during T3's first year. The most popular burger is the Whopper with cheese.
- Since opening day, more than 85,000 cups of regular coffee have been purchased from Terminal 3's Starbucks locations.