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AIR PARTNER ORCHESTRATES FLIGHTS TO KEEP MUSICIANS ROCKING ALL OVER THE WORLD

Private jets and music groups band together to clock up over 600 flights in the last five years



London, UK, Monday 21 May 2018: The world's top bands, orchestras and musicians have struck up thousands of miles in the sky to keep music lovers happy, thanks to backing from Air Partner, the leading global aviation company.

Air Partner say they have clocked up thousands of hours and tens of thousands of miles flying musicians, their instruments, roadies and their crucial back up crew in private jets.

Over the past five years this has involved conducting vast logistical plans involving more than 600 flights to almost 700 shows across over 60 countries with top performers flying in luxurious private jets from gig to gig.

Julia Timms, Air Partner's Chief Marketing Officer, said: "Air Partner has been instrumental in ensuring many of the world's top bands and leading orchestras perform at thousands of gigs and performances in scores of countries to make sure the show always goes on.

"This has been thanks to our expert aviation planners have decades of dedicated experience. They have helped scores of musicians and their crews fly with their

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instruments, backline and baggage, seamlessly in comfort around the world from one venue to the next.”



For nearly 60 years, Air Partner has played a vital role in the entertainment industry, working to meet the challenging demands of charter flights for music and film. The company’s expert aviation planners have a deep understanding of the sector, whether that involves finding aircraft at short notice or building complex multi-trip schedules over months across multiple time-zones and countries.

One recent tour with a top European band involved flying two aircraft between 32 cities in 21 countries over 72 days. During that time the private jet became their second home and their dedicated flight and cabin crew like family, delivering a flexible, intuitive and friendly tailored service, able to anticipate their every need.

The band were also able to enjoy private terminals at smaller more convenient airports, fast track immigration to quickly board their aircraft and luxury lounges to relax in while their passports were sorted and baggage discreetly loaded.

The high level of service began on the ground, with baggage seamlessly conveyed between aircraft and multiple venues, and close co-ordination with the police and ground crew to keep dedicated fans at bay.

Onboard the aircraft, the highly personalised service continued to deliver an exceptional in-flight dining experience, designed to cater to every band member’s dietary requirements, and a bar was stocked with all of their favourite drinks.

Air Partner’s expert planners are even able to call up replacement aircraft at a moment’s notice if regular aircraft were to develop a technical fault, to keep the band – and the show – on the road.

Air Partner is also able to arrange VIP services for music groups even when there is no private terminal, thanks to our dedicated travel planning experts. Bags, instruments and even vehicles can be sent directly to the aircraft through separate airport entrances, while those travelling are fast tracked and escorted through all procedures to avoid expectant fans.

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Air Partner will always arrange ramp access for cars directly to the aircraft where possible, as well as pre-clearing of passports so the band can board directly from the tarmac, even when a private terminal is available.

VIP airliners can even be sourced for more well-established, bigger grossing acts, which offer more luxury and privacy while on tour. These larger aircraft can provide separate cabins for the tour manager to work in, as well as separate bedrooms and shower rooms for individual band members to spread out and relax – especially on longer flights.

Air Partner's dedicated account management team consistently go above and beyond to offer tailor-made stress-free packages, with maximum luggage allowances, personalised cabin service and door-to-door transport, as part of the same seamless service. Air Partner's Account Managers are also at the disposal of the Tour Manager 24/7 for the duration of the tour, no matter what the time zone or location.

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About Air Partner

Founded in 1961, Air Partner is a global aviation services group that provides worldwide solutions to industry, commerce, governments and private individuals. The Group has two divisions: Broking division, comprising air charter broking and remarketing; and the Consulting & Training division, comprising the aviation safety consultancies, Baines Simmons, Clockwork Researching Division and SafeSkys. For reporting purposes, the Group is structured into four divisions: Commercial Jets, Private Jets, Freight (Broking) and Consulting & Training (Baines Simmons, Clockwork Research, SafeSkys and Air Partner's Emergency Planning Division). The Commercial Jet division charters large airliners to move groups of any size. Air Partner Remarketing, which is within the Commercial Jet division, provides comprehensive remarketing programs for all types of commercial and corporate aircraft to a wide range of international clients. Private Jets offers the Company's unique pre-paid JetCard scheme and on-demand charter. Freight charters aircraft of every size to fly almost any cargo anywhere, at any time. Baines Simmons is a world leader in aviation safety consulting specializing in aviation regulation, compliance and safety management. Clockwork Research is a leading fatigue risk management consultancy.