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Air Partner expands New York office as it strengthens its US offering

Air Partner, the global aviation services group, is growing its New York office to support its continued expansion in the US market, with particular emphasis on New York City and the surrounding area.

The Group believes that there is strong demand in the area for its product offering – particularly its JetCard product - as well as its exceptional client service. This new office, located at 140 Broadway in Lower Manhattan, strengthens its existing US network which includes Fort Lauderdale, Los Angeles, and Washington D.C.

Air Partner provides private air travel solutions, specialist travel management, emergency planning, aircraft remarketing and aviation safety consultancy. The company's air charter divisions include Private Jets, Commercial Jets, and Freight. The Private Jets division offers both on-demand charter services and a flexible JetCard membership, while the Commercial Jets division arranges air charter flights for groups of 20 or more passengers. Air Partner Freight specializes in arranging the transport of air cargo of any size, worldwide.

Commenting on the expansion, Mark Briffa, CEO of Air Partner, said: *"The US has long been an important market for Air Partner, and one which continues to be an area of strategic focus. We have been an established business there for 19 years now, but there are still opportunities that we can capitalize on. North America is the biggest private jet market in the world and we are committed to taking more of this share. For the third consecutive year, independent aviation consultant Conklin & de Decker's found that our JetCard continues to surpass all our major US competitors in terms of both cost and flexibility, so we have a solid foundation on which to grow our customer base. The expansion of our New York office is a really exciting development for us, and I can't wait to see how our American journey progresses."*

Air Partner operates a full 24-hour flight operations center ensuring customers have instant, year-round access to its services. Air Partner's team of 260 aviation professionals are based in 20 key locations across the globe.

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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: (a) Broking division, comprising air charter broking and remarketing through the Air Partner and Cabot brands respectively; and (b) Training & Consulting division, via the aviation safety consultancy Baines Simmons. For reporting purposes, the Group is structured into four divisions: Commercial Jets, Private Jets, Freight (Broking) and Baines Simmons (Training & Consultancy). The Commercial Jet division charters large airliners to move groups of any size. Cabot Aviation, which is formed within the Commercial Jet division, provides comprehensive remarketing programmes 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. Air Partner 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 which specialises in aviation regulation, compliance and safety management. Air Partner is headquartered alongside Gatwick airport in the UK. Air Partner operates 24/7 year-round and has 20 offices globally. Air Partner is listed on the London Stock Exchange (AIR) and is also ISO 9001:2008 compliant for commercial airline and private jet solutions worldwide. www.airpartner.com