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Chinese Airlines Fight For Routes

China Southern Airlines Co plans to take advantage of its ties with American Airlines Group Inc to help beef up its US routes and close in on mainland rivals, the Chinese carrier's President Tan Wangeng said.

A new airport in Beijing, once up and running in 2019, will serve as the state airline's second hub flying almost 50 million passengers in and out of China, even more than the 30 million the carrier flew in 2016 from its home base of Guangzhou in southern China, Tan said. China Southern plans to operate 250 aircraft out of the new airport, and will introduce more US flights along with American Air.



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"The market between China and the US is the biggest one," Tan told Tom Mackenzie in a Bloomberg Television interview broadcast on Nov. 22. "We now have flights to cities like New York and Los Angeles but they are just not enough. We hope the frequency reaches a point where people can fly to Beijing for a conference and back to New York in a single day."



China's "big three" carriers have forged ties with their US peers in the scramble for more market share. China Southern sold a small stake to American Air earlier this year for \$200 million, almost two years after Delta Air Lines Inc bought 3.55 percent of China Eastern for \$450 million. Air China has a codeshare agreement with its Star Alliance partner United Continental Holdings Inc. In July, China Eastern and Delta each bought 10 percent of Air France-KLM through capital increases totaling \$881 million.

As the partnership between China Eastern, Delta and Air France-KLM deepened within the SkyTeam alliance, China Southern looked beyond this group for an ally in American Air, which is part of the rival Oneworld association. The move fueled speculation that the Chinese carrier may consider leaving SkyTeam and join Oneworld.

Improve Customs Procedures <<< Shenyang and Hohhot



Customs departments in Shenyang and Hohhot in Inner Mongolia autonomous region recently signed an agreement to cooperate on improving customs clearance services for goods transported by China-Europe block trains. According to the agreement, the two sides will establish a working mechanism, where imported and exported goods will complete customs declarations, and inspection and customs clearance at one of the two customs offices without having to apply again. The mutual recognition of customs procedures will play an important role in improving efficiency – saving time and money for businesses.

Currently, there are two China-Europe block trains that depart from Shenyang; the Shenyang-Manzhouli-Europe block train was launched in 2015, and the Shenyang-Erenhot -Europe block train was launched in 2017.

Contribution To Belt and Road Initiative <<< Tianjin

Tianjin Port's sixth shipping route for foreign container vessels, which is its third serving the Belt and Road Initiative was put into operation on Nov 17. The new line from China to the Persian Gulf was jointly launched by the five shipment giants ZIM, T.S. Lines, KMTC, RCL and SM Line. It starts from Tianjin Port and runs to the Persian Gulf region by way of some major ports such as Colombo in Sri Lanka, Karachi in Pakistan, and Jebel Ali in Dubai; six 6500 TEU container ships will be in operation on the route. Tianjin Port is an important land-ocean intersection for the countries and regions involved in the Belt and Road Initiative. The establishment of the new route will accelerate Tianjin's becoming an international shipping center in North China.



Tianjin Port Group, currently has more than 120 shipping routes for container vessels extending to major domestic ports around the world.



Premiere News —

Project Cargo Transportation of 3*40' FR Containers

Premiere colleagues worked together to monitor a project cargo of three flat rack containers recently. With precise operation plan and professional experience, this shipment sailed to destination on Nov.9th.

One wooden case with height of 4150mm was moved directly from factory to warehouse for loading and being packed with waterproof ponchos. Premiere colleague paid supervision of loading on the spot the following day.

The other two ultra-high and wide wooden cases that weighed 21740kgs were transported to terminal directly while Premiere arranged the empty containers to terminal on the same day. Premiere staff and worker took care of the entire loading process.



Two Wooden Cases : (3800*3200*4750mm 3800*3200*4750mm)



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