

PRESS RELEASE

First Half 2010 Results

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AEGEAN announces results for the first half of 2010. Revenue declined 3% at €267.4m. Net result after taxes recorded losses of €32.6m compared to profits of €13.4m in the previous year. The first half of 2010 includes a tax charge of €6.6m related to the extraordinary social contribution charge.

The total number of passengers traveling with Aegean remained flat at 2.9m in the first half of 2010. In the domestic network, AEGEAN carried 1.5 m passengers, 11% less than in the previous year while in the international network AEGEAN carried 1.4m passengers, recording an 18% y-o-y rise, mainly due to the addition of new routes as of the end of 2009.

Despite the fact that traffic remained at the same as last year's level, as well as the rising contribution of international traffic, revenue declined as a result of the significant pressures on average revenue per flight due to the economic crisis, particularly as far as Greek originated traffic is concerned. Moreover, conditions of overcapacity prevailing in certain markets amidst a recessionary environment had an impact on the company's financial performance. In addition, external factors like the devaluation of the euro versus the US dollar as well as the rise of oil price had a negative impact on the company's result.

Mr. Dimitris Gerogiannis, Managing Director, commented:

"The negative economic environment had a profound impact on our first half financial performance. We proceed with the necessary adjustments on our network and costs, with immediate effect, so as to protect the company during the crisis. At the same time, our efforts concentrate on fully exploiting and completing our past strategic choices, such as our entry into the Star Alliance and the agreement with Marfin Investment Group/OA."

Among the restructuring measures undertaken, the company has already proceeded during the first half of 2010 with the reduction of its fleet by 3 aircraft. In addition, 2 RJ Avros were returned in July 2010 while 2 ATR 72 are scheduled to be returned to their owners in September 2010. As a result of the fleet reduction and given efforts to improve the efficiency of its network within a particularly weak economic environment, the company will exit - with immediate effect - 2 domestic (Athensloannina, Athens-Kavala) and 3 international routes (Athens-Tirana, Athens-Belgrade, Athens-Vienna) which are particularly loss making.



Mr Dimitris Gerogiannis, added: "We must focus on destinations were we maintain a competitive advantage either due to our new Airbus A320 fleet or due to our entry into the Star Alliance. A possible imminent approval of our agreement with OA could allow us to ably present on the summer of 2011 an expanding profile which is necessary for both our company and our country."

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In €000	First Half 2009	First Half 2010	%
Revenue	275.449	267.390	-3%
EBITDAR*	42.472	19.663	-54%
Profit / (Loss) before tax	18.168	(33.514)	-
Profit / (Loss) after tax	13.426	(32.557)	-
Passenger Traffic			
Domestic	1.727.831	1.533.482	-11%
International	1.161.967	1.367.731	18%
Total	2.889.798	2.901.213	0%
Avg number of passengers per flight	97	97	0%
Load Factor (RPK/ASK)	60.6%	64.8%	4.2 p.p

^{*}EBITDAR: Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation & amortization and lease costs

About Aegean Airlines

Aegean Airlines is the largest Greek carrier, carrying 6.6 million passengers in 2009, an increase of 10% over 2008. After taking delivery of 22 new Airbus A320/321, the company operates a fleet of 28 aircraft. On June 30, 2010 Aegean was accepted into the Star Alliance network as the 28th member. Within its ten year scheduled services history AEGEAN has been awarded six times by the European Regions Airline Association (ERA) in recognition of its operating performance, commercial success and commitment to customer comfort and satisfaction. Additionally, AEGEAN has been repeatedly awarded by the Athens International Airport as the single largest contributor to the airport's passenger growth. AEGEAN has also received the Skytrax World Airline award as the best regional airline in Europe for 2009.

On 22.02.2010 the main shareholders of AEGEAN AIRLINES and MARFIN INVESTMENT GROUP have reached an agreement to initiate procedures that would lead to the acquisition of the three companies of the new Olympic group (Olympic Air, Olympic Handling, Olympic Engineering) by AEGEAN, the simultaneous entry of MARFIN INVESTMENT GROUP through a sharecapital increase to the sharecapital of AEGEAN and following that the final merger of the flying activities of AEGEAN and Olympic Air. The transaction is currently being assessed by the European Competition Commission.