



ACIA Aero Leasing Closes Transaction with EWA Air for Two ATR72-600

Dublin, Ireland – March 6, 2026 - ACIA Aero Leasing (“ACIA”), a leading provider of regional aircraft leasing and lease management services, announced today the closing of a sale and leaseback of two ATR 72-600 passenger aircraft operating with EWA Air.

“We are delighted to have been selected by EWA Air and its majority shareholder, Air Austral, for the closing of this important transaction. We welcome EWA Air to our growing family of ATR operators. EWA’s operations provide essential regional connectivity linking remote regions with key cities in the Indian Ocean as they promote business, tourism and cultural ties. They also play a key and important role in providing seamless connectivity for Air Austral’s long haul network.” stated Mick Mooney, ACIA’s Chief Executive Officer.

Commenting on the announcement, Hugues Marchessaux, Chief Executive Officer Air Austral & Chairman EWA Air said “This marks a new stage for EWA, which is thus consolidating its operations and embarking on a new partnership with ACIA. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the ACIA team for their support and the dynamism they demonstrated in completing this successful sale and leaseback transaction. This partnership opens up new perspectives for our company, which is deeply rooted in our regional territory and remains a key economic player in the development of Mayotte through the regional network it offers its clients with its two ATR aircraft now leased from ACIA.”

About EWA Air:

EWA Air is the airline of Mayotte, operating scheduled passenger services across the Indian Ocean region. Based at Dzaoudzi–Pamandzi International Airport, the airline connects Mayotte with destinations including Madagascar and the Comoros, supporting regional mobility and economic development. EWA Air operates a modern fleet of ATR turboprop aircraft and is a member of the Air Austral Group, where they support Air Austral’s regional network within the Indian Ocean.

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About Air Austral

Air Austral, a French airline created and based in Reunion Island, is a major player in Indian Ocean transport services between mainland France and its regional connections. Under normal operations, the Airline operates to Reunion Island, Mauritius, Mayotte, the Comoros Islands, Madagascar, the Seychelles, South Africa and Thailand (Bangkok). The Paris - Reunion Island and Paris - Mayotte routes continued to operate, and the regional network is gradually resuming. In Paris-CDG the Airline has kept its code-share agreement with Air France to offer connections in Europe, and its partnership with TGV’Air for transfers between 19 French cities and Brussels.

Air Austral operates the most modern fleet in the Indian Ocean. It is currently made up of two 787-8 dual-class aircraft, three 777-300 triple-class aircraft for long-haul flights, and three Airbus 220 for regional flights. The fleet, the comfort of the cabins, the in-flight services and the hospitality

of its staff, are Air Austral's main assets, an airline known and recognized for its quality of service. Air Austral has been awarded the cluster Green "Efficiency" CSR label with the support of AFNOR/RUNCERT, reinforcing the importance of CSR in its strategy.
More information: <http://www.air-austral.com>

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About ACIA Aero Leasing

Established in 2004, ACIA Aero Leasing ("ACIA"), a subsidiary of ACIA Aero Capital ("ACIA Group"), is a leading regional aircraft lessor headquartered in Ireland, with offices located in France, The United Kingdom and South Africa. ACIA manages a portfolio of over 50 regional passenger and freighter aircraft on lease to operators in over 23 countries globally. Through its strategic partnerships, ACIA provides airlines with turnkey leasing solutions from dry leasing through to charter operations.

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