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MEDIA RELEASE

REX GULF ROUTE TO SERVICE KARUMBA UNDER 12 MONTH TRIAL

Under a 12 month trial approved by the Queensland Government's Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR), Regional Express (Rex) will operate one return Gulf route flight via Karumba with effect from Tuesday 31 October 2017. This follows an earlier three month Government approved trial that operated between April and June this year.

This has been driven by community support that has been growing for the inclusion of Karumba on the route. The 12 month trial period will allow for a better assessment of Karumba's passenger demand, taking into account seasonal fluctuations. This will be followed by a financial assessment by DTMR to determine if servicing Karumba can be a permanent inclusion on the Gulf route.

The Gulf route is operated by Rex under contract with QLD DTMR. The Gulf route operates in both directions between Cairns and Mount Isa, servicing the remote communities of Normanton, Mornington Island, Burketown and Doomadgee.

Under the 12 month trail, the Tuesday westbound service ex Cairns and the Thursday eastbound service from Mount Isa will make an additional stop at Karumba. The flight schedule is available in the attached Annex and on the Rex website as follows;

http://www.rex.com.au/Schedules/default.aspx

Reservations can be made via www.rex.com.au, by phoning 13 17 13 or through your local travel agent. Passengers with existing bookings to/from Normanton that would like to change to Karumba can be transferred free of charge by phoning 13 17 13.

Regional Express (Rex) is Australia's largest independent regional airline operating a fleet of more than 50 Saab 340 aircraft on some 1,500 weekly flights to 60 destinations throughout all states in Australia. In addition to the regional airline Regional Express, the **Rex Group** comprises wholly owned subsidiaries **Pel-Air Aviation** (air freight and charter operator), **Air Link** (Dubbo-based regional airline) and the **Australian Airline Pilot Academy**.

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<u>Annex</u>

Rex Gulf Route Schedule effective 30 October 2017

MONDAY & TUESDAY					MONDAY & FRIDAY				
Origin	Dest.	Dep.	Arr.	Flt #	Origin	Dest.	Dep.	Arr.	Flt #
ISA	DMD	0915	1015	ZL5474	CNS	NTN	1155	1325	ZL5459
DMD	ONG	1035	1115	ZL5474	NTN	ONG	1355	1445	ZL5459
ONG	NTN	1135	1225	ZL5474	ONG	BUC	1505	1545	ZL5459
NTN	CNS	1255	1425	ZL5474	BUC	DMD	1605	1630	ZL5459
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THURSDAY					TUESDAY				
Origin	Dest.	Dep.	Arr.	Flt#	Origin	Dest.	Dep.	Arr.	Flt #
ISA	DMD	0915	1015	ZL5474	CNS	NTN	1155	1325	ZL5453
DMD	ONG	1035	1115	ZL5474	NTN	KRB	1355	1425	ZL5453
ONG	KRB	1135	1220	ZL5474	KRB	ONG	1445	1530	ZL5453
KRB	NTN	1240	1310	ZL5474	ONG	DMD	1550	1630	ZL5453
NTN	CNS	1340	1510	ZL5474	DMD	ISA	1650	1750	ZL5453
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WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY					WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY				
Origin	Dest.	Dep.	Arr.	Flt#	Origin	Dest.	Dep.	Arr.	Flt#
ISA	DMD	0915	1015	ZL5464	CNS	NTN	1240	1410	ZL5453
DMD	BUC	1035	1100	ZL5464	NTN	ONG	1440	1530	ZL5453
BUC	ONG	1120	1200	ZL5464	ONG	DMD	1550	1630	ZL5453
ONG	NTN	1220	1310	ZL5464	DMD	ISA	1650	1750	ZL5453
NTN	CNS	1340	1510	ZL5464		7			
ITN = Normanton ISA = Mou			Mount Isa	int Isa ONG = Mo		nington Island CNS = Cairns			
BUC - Burketown		DMD - Doomadgee			KRB = Karumba				











