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Hartsfield-Jackson Airport Hosts Brazilian Trade Delegation

Group learns best practices from world's busiest airport

ATLANTA – A trade delegation of Brazilian executives visited with Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport officials on Wednesday to learn best practices in technology, logistics and airport operations at the world's busiest airport.

The 15-person delegation, which included senior-level executives from several Brazilian companies, the Consul General to Brazil in Atlanta and Brazilian-American Chamber of Commerce officials met with Hartsfield-Jackson's leadership team to learn about the Airport's cargo operations, capital improvement projects, business development opportunities and other aviation functions.

"Hartsfield-Jackson remains one of the most-efficient and well-managed airports in the world," said Aviation General Manager Louis Miller. "We are always honored to share our knowledge and expertise with our partners. We are delighted to host the Brazilian delegation and it's an affirmation that global companies wish to conduct business with the Airport and the city of Atlanta."

During the meeting, Airport and City officials discussed their integral roles in engaging the international business community to expand or create new footprints across metro Atlanta. The delegation also toured Hartsfield-Jackson's Perishables Complex, its cargo facilities and Delta Air Lines' cargo facility.

Brazilian Consul General Hermano Ribeiro commented, "This airport is not only the world's busiest airport, I think it's the world's most productive airport. It's an engine of economic development in this area."

The group also visited Dallas, Texas during its three-day tour.

Hartsfield-Jackson has a direct impact of \$32.6 billion on the metro area's economy, and it remains the largest employer in the state of Georgia with more than 58,000 Atlanta-based employees. In 2012, as a global aviation hub, the Airport celebrated several major milestones, including accommodating 95 million passengers to retain its title as the world's busiest airport. Officials also opened a 1.2 million square-foot international terminal, which created an impressive 40-gate international air travel complex.

Hartsfield-Jackson continues to build upon its strong global partnerships and international engagement programs. The Airport previously hosted delegations from China, France, Germany, Nigeria, South Africa and Singapore.

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Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson is the world's busiest airport, serving more than 95 million passengers annually with nonstop service to 160 U.S. destinations and nearly 70 international destinations in more than 45 countries. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, architectural engineering and construction - including the 2011 Global and North American Airport Efficiency Excellence Award from the Air Transport Research Society (for more information, go to www.atrsworld.org). It is undergoing \$6 billion-plus in capital improvements, which include a new, energy-efficient rental car center; a new, 12-gate international terminal (for more information, go to www.atlanta-airport.com/internationalterminal/); and aesthetic and functional upgrades to its concourses, people movers and parking services. For more information, go to www.atlanta-airport.com.

Check out the Airport's YouTube channel by visiting <http://www.youtube.com/AtlantaHartsfield>, and become a fan on Facebook.