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## **ATL Readies For Busy Holiday Week Ahead**

Nearly three million passengers expected to travel through world's busiest airport; holiday travel press conference scheduled

**ATLANTA** – Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) officials will host a press conference Tuesday, Nov. 22 to discuss Thanksgiving holiday travel preparations at the Airport. The Thanksgiving holiday travel period is considered the busiest travel time of the year at ATL, and next week's forecast indicates this year is no exception: more than 2.9 million passengers are expected to navigate through ATL beginning Friday, Nov. 18 until the end of the holiday period, Monday, Nov. 28.

ATL officials, working with partners at the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), mainline and regional airlines, and airport concessionaires, have taken steps to ensure passengers have a safe, efficient and enjoyable experience while visiting the world's busiest and most efficient airport. To accomplish this, staffing levels among stakeholders have increased, TSA checkpoints will open earlier than usual, and a third Automated Security Lane is now operational at the South security checkpoint.

Local, state and federal law enforcement officials remain hyper-vigilant to any threats posed to the traveling community and will maintain a strong, visible presence at the Airport.

Domestic passengers are reminded to arrive at check-in at least two hours before departure time. Information on flights, parking and ATL concessions can be found at <a href="atl.com">atl.com</a> or on the iFlyATL mobile app.

Additional information will be provided at Tuesday's press conference.

WHO: Roosevelt Council, Jr., Interim General Manager, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta

**International Airport** 

Mary Leftridge Byrd, Transportation Security Administration Federal Security

Director, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

**WHAT**: Press conference discussing holiday travel at ATL

WHEN: Tuesday, Nov. 22

11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Domestic Terminal Atrium 6000 North Terminal Parkway

Atlanta, GA 30320

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## Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 101 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and 70 international destinations in more than 50 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, sustainability, architectural engineering, and construction. ATL is now in the midst of a \$6 billion capital improvement plan, ATLNext, that will modernize the domestic terminal and concourses, create new parking decks, construct a 440-room hotel, Class A commercial office space, add a new runway, new concourse and expand cargo facilities. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.atl.com">www.atl.com</a>.

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