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AIR MAURITIUS EXPANDS INTO CHINA WITH A DIRECT FLIGHT TO BEIJING

After the successful introduction of direct flights to Shanghai on the 24th of January 2013, Air Mauritius is pleased to announce that it will operate a once weekly direct service to Beijing. The flight, MK 686/687, will be operated by an Airbus A340 as from the 6th of July 2013 as per the following schedule in local timings:

MK686 (Outbound):

Mauritius	Departure	13.40	Saturday
Beijing	Arrival	05.45	Sunday

MK 687 (Inbound):

Beijing	Departure	00.45	Monday
Mauritius	Arrival	08.45	Monday

As a result the number of seats currently offered on our direct service to mainland China will increase from 596 to 894 one-way seats per week which represents a 50% increase.

With this new service, Air Mauritius now offers 9 weekly flights to destinations in China (including Hong Kong) as follows:

- 1 direct flight to Beijing on Saturday
- 2 direct flights to Shanghai on Thursday and Sunday
- 3 direct flights to Hong Kong on Tuesday (flight starting 2nd July), Thursday and Sunday
- 3 weekly flights on Monday, Wednesday and Friday via our hub in Kuala Lumpur from where passengers may connect directly to Shanghai, Hong Kong and Beijing on code share flights (with partner Malaysia Airlines).

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Andre Viljoen, CEO: *“This service to Beijing is part of our new network strategy under the 7-Step Plan aiming at rebalancing growth towards new markets. Enhanced connectivity also supports the country’s tourism strategy. Since we started operations to Shanghai in 2011, tourist arrivals have grown consistently to pass the 20,000 mark in 2012 which confirms the potential of China. Following the introduction of twice weekly direct flights to Shanghai earlier this year, the direct link to China’s capital, Beijing will be yet another catalyst for the development of the Chinese market. It opens new avenues for the consolidation of ties between our two countries and allows Mauritius to further tap into the opportunities offered by one of the world’s fastest growing economies.”*

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