



## OMA reports a 7.4% increase in March 2012 passenger traffic

Monterrey, Mexico, April 9, 2012—Mexican airport operator Grupo Aeroportuario del Centro Norte, S.A.B. de C.V., known as OMA (NASDAQ: OMAB; BMV: OMA), reports that terminal passenger traffic at its 13 airports increased 7.4% in March 2012, as compared to March 2011. Domestic traffic increased 8.3%, and international traffic increased 3.5%.

Of total March traffic, 96.8% was commercial aviation and 3.2% was general aviation.

### Total Passengers\*

	Mar-11	Mar-12	Change %	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Change %
<b>Domestic</b>	797,318	863,803	8.3	2,160,408	2,377,955	10.1
<b>International</b>	181,266	187,639	3.5	531,158	517,740	(2.5)
<b>OMA Total</b>	<b>978,584</b>	<b>1,051,442</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>2,691,566</b>	<b>2,895,695</b>	<b>7.6</b>

\* Terminal passengers: includes passengers on the three types of aviation (commercial, charter, and general aviation), and excludes passengers in transit.

**Domestic traffic** increased in twelve airports in March, with the most noteworthy increases in Monterrey (+5.7%), Tampico (+23.3%), Chihuahua (+14.0%), Ciudad Juárez (+14.5%), Reynosa (+47.3%), and Culiacán (+7.1%). In Monterrey, traffic increased principally on the routes to Mexico City and Cancún. The Tampico, Chihuahua, and Reynosa airports increased traffic on the Mexico City routes. Ciudad Juárez traffic increased on the routes to Mexico City and Guadalajara. In Culiacán, traffic increased on the Tijuana and Guadalajara routes. Three domestic routes opened in March: Aeroméxico opened Monterrey-Cancún, VivaAerobus opened Reynosa-Mexico City, and Aeromar opened Tampico-Ciudad Victoria.

**International traffic** increased most significantly in Monterrey (+22.4%) and San Luis Potosi (+57.0%). In Monterrey, traffic benefited from the increase in passengers on the routes to San Antonio, Dallas, and Panama. San Luis Potosi traffic increased on the Houston route. The largest decreases were recorded in Acapulco (-50.1%) and Mazatlán (-5.0%). The reductions in Acapulco took place on the Houston and Dallas routes. In Mazatlán, the reductions occurred on the routes to Houston, Denver, and Calgary. Two international routes opened in March: Continental (United) opened Durango-Los Angeles and Magnicharter opened Monterrey-Las Vegas.

The total number of **flight operations** (takeoffs and landings) in March 2012 increased 1.0% as compared to the prior year period. Domestic flights increased 0.9%, and international flights increased 1.2%.

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	Mar-11	Mar-12	Change %	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Change %
Acapulco	62,767	51,117	(18.6)	186,837	152,668	(18.3)
Ciudad Juárez	50,987	58,401	14.5	138,422	163,594	18.2
Culiacán	89,212	95,522	7.1	243,443	262,977	8.0
Chihuahua	61,055	69,266	13.4	168,629	186,540	10.6
Durango	18,996	20,003	5.3	49,416	57,739	16.8
Mazatlán	72,195	70,413	(2.5)	201,684	192,991	(4.3)
Monterrey	439,877	474,693	7.9	1,203,843	1,288,815	7.1
Reynosa	15,497	22,867	47.6	39,080	60,221	54.1
San Luis Potosí	19,282	23,883	23.9	52,766	64,924	23.0
Tampico	40,672	49,076	20.7	107,304	139,362	29.9
Torreón	32,099	34,010	6.0	77,920	94,561	21.4
Zacatecas	18,820	22,378	18.9	50,955	64,455	26.5
Zihuatanejo	57,125	59,813	4.7	171,267	166,848	(2.6)
<b>OMA Total</b>	<b>978,584</b>	<b>1,051,442</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>2,691,566</b>	<b>2,895,695</b>	<b>7.6</b>

### Domestic Passengers\*

	Mar-11	Mar-12	Change %	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Change %
Acapulco	43,773	41,630	(4.9)	123,193	123,842	0.5
Ciudad Juárez	50,952	58,362	14.5	137,538	163,447	18.8
Culiacán	88,234	94,477	7.1	240,307	259,800	8.1
Chihuahua	55,453	63,215	14.0	152,804	170,381	11.5
Durango	17,773	18,439	3.7	45,157	53,099	17.6
Mazatlán	28,443	28,830	1.4	79,653	83,195	4.4
Monterrey	380,378	401,873	5.7	1,031,308	1,089,034	5.6
Reynosa	15,475	22,800	47.3	39,036	60,011	53.7
San Luis Potosí	13,901	15,435	11.0	36,002	42,061	16.8
Tampico	36,895	45,506	23.3	97,080	128,528	32.4
Torreón	28,532	29,540	3.5	67,605	81,934	21.2
Zacatecas	14,902	16,765	12.5	40,431	45,701	13.0
Zihuatanejo	22,607	26,931	19.1	70,294	76,922	9.4
<b>OMA Total</b>	<b>797,318</b>	<b>863,803</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>2,160,408</b>	<b>2,377,955</b>	<b>10.1</b>

### International Passengers\*

	Mar-11	Mar-12	Change %	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Change %
Acapulco	18,994	9,487	(50.1)	63,644	28,826	(54.7)
Ciudad Juárez	35	39	11.4	884	147	(83.4)
Culiacán	978	1,045	6.9	3,136	3,177	1.3
Chihuahua	5,602	6,051	8.0	15,825	16,159	2.1
Durango	1,223	1,564	27.9	4,259	4,640	8.9
Mazatlán	43,752	41,583	(5.0)	122,031	109,796	(10.0)
Monterrey	59,499	72,820	22.4	172,535	199,781	15.8
Reynosa	22	67	204.5	44	210	377.3
San Luis Potosí	5,381	8,448	57.0	16,764	22,863	36.4
Tampico	3,777	3,570	(5.5)	10,224	10,834	6.0
Torreón	3,567	4,470	25.3	10,315	12,627	22.4
Zacatecas	3,918	5,613	43.3	10,524	18,754	78.2
Zihuatanejo	34,518	32,882	(4.7)	100,973	89,926	(10.9)
<b>OMA Total</b>	<b>181,266</b>	<b>187,639</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>531,158</b>	<b>517,740</b>	<b>(2.5)</b>

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