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### MENZIES AVIATION ANNOUNCES EXPANSION ACROSS EUROPEAN OPERATIONS

- New handling contracts at Scandinavian stations
- Additional 16,000 flights per year to be handled at Prague Airport
- Renewal of cargo handling contracts at Amsterdam Schiphol

**3 JANUARY 2019, EDINBURGH:** Menzies Aviation, the global logistics specialist serving the airline industry, is pleased to announce a variety of contract wins which sees Menzies expanding its presence across Europe.

At Stockholm Arlanda, Menzies Aviation has been contracted to deliver ground handling operations for Air Baltic. The contract is the first time Menzies Aviation and Air Baltic will partner at the airport and will see the team handle five flights per day for the Latvian low-cost carrier. Menzies Aviation also provides ground handling operations to Air Baltic in Gothenburg, Nice and Oslo.

Menzies Aviation also welcomes China Eastern, China's second largest airline, as a customer to its Stockholm operations, following the launch of the airline's direct route between Shanghai Pudong Airport and Stockholm. Menzies will provide passenger and ramp handling services, as well as cleaning and lounge services at Stockholm Airport.

In addition, Menzies has been awarded a Passenger and Ramp Handling contract by Siberia airlines at both Stockholm and Copenhagen. The win follows the airlines' launch of direct routes from both airports to St Petersburg in Russia.

From January 2019, Menzies Aviation will take over Finnair's operations at Copenhagen airport. This new contract will see five daily flights added to Menzies' Copenhagen operations, which will total 35 turns per week.

Outside of Scandinavia, Menzies has been awarded a contract by Czech Airlines, the national airline of the Czech Republic, which sees Menzies provide handling operations for an additional 16,000 flights per year at Prague Vaclav Havel Airport. The airport has become the third biggest ground handling operation in the Menzies global network, and the second in Europe, behind Heathrow. Prague Vaclav Havel acts as Menzies Aviation HQ in Eastern Europe, offering a full suite of ground handling services to customers including easyJet, Ryanair Emirates, Lufthansa and Air Canada.

Menzies Aviation also renewed cargo contracts with two key customers at Amsterdam Airport in 2018. FedEx renewed its ramp and cargo contract and Menzies continues to handle FedEx's daily Freighter into Amsterdam. American based cargo carrier Kalitta Air also renewed its contract for ramp handling, and in addition Menzies Aviation provides the airline with cargo handling, helping to improve the efficiency of Kalitta's Amsterdam operations.

**Forsyth Black, CEO said:** *"The contract wins with Air Baltic, Siberia Airlines and China Eastern have helped to fuel our strategic expansion throughout the Scandinavian region. In particular, it is pleasing to see growth at our Copenhagen station, which has gone from strength to strength since operations began in 2015. Our renewed contracts with cargo customers FedEx and Kalitta highlight the success of our new Cargo strategy and the great work our employees deliver to customers on the ground, demonstrating that Menzies Aviation is the leading premium brand in the aviation services sector."*

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#### Notes to editors:

- Menzies Aviation is a leading global provider of passenger, ramp and cargo services. Menzies Aviation operates at airports in 37 countries, supported by a team of some 33,000 highly-trained people. Each year Menzies Aviation serves some 1,000 customers, handling 1.4 million flights, 1.6 million tonnes of cargo and fuelling four million turnarounds. Customers include Air Canada, Air France-KLM, American Airlines, Cathay Pacific, Delta Air Lines, easyJet, Emirates, Frontier Airlines, IAG, Lufthansa, Norwegian Air Shuttle, Air Canada, United Airlines and China Airlines. Best in class safety and security is the number one priority each day and every day. [menziesaviation.com/](http://menziesaviation.com/)



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