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NEWS RELEASE

Ethiopian Airlines Honors Top Producing Agencies and Consolidators

WASHINGTON, D.C. — July 15, 2008 — Ethiopian Airlines honored the 15 top performing travel agencies and consolidators in 2007 during a celebration marking the anniversary of ten years of service from the United States to Ethiopia. Over 200 dignitaries from the travel industry, diplomats, and members of the press were on hand to commemorate the anniversary and honor the agencies. Presenting the awards on behalf of Ethiopian Airlines was Chief Operating Officer Tewelde Gebremariam.

The agencies honored are Adam Travel, Alexandria, VA.; Addis Travel Services, St. Paul, MN; Fana Travel, Washington, D.C.; International Air Consolidators, Dallas, TX; Just Fares.com, Seattle, WA; Menno Travel Services, Goshen, IN.; Nile Travel and Tours, Arlington, VA. Norman's Wholesale Travel, New York, N.Y.; Royal Wings, Denver, CO; Sky View Travel, New York, N.Y.; Susan Parr Travel, Port Angeles, WA; Travel & Tours International, Washington, D.C.; Travel for Less, Fremont CA; World Travel Center, Seattle, WA; and Worldwide Travel, Washington, D.C.

“Travel Agencies are continuing to be successful by introducing travelers to the historical, cultural and natural significance of destinations like Ethiopia,” said William A. Maloney, CTC, executive vice president & COO, American Society of Travel Agents who was on hand to honor the agents. “I am thrilled to see Ethiopian Airlines acknowledges the contributions of travel agents to their business.”

The agencies' success has been generated by successfully selling Ethiopia to leisure travelers, religious groups, the Ethiopian Diasporas and business travelers. Currently agencies are able to book direct flights from Washington-Dulles International Airport to Addis Ababa with connections to 49 additional international destinations and 15 destinations within Ethiopia.

“Ten years ago today, Ethiopian Airlines began service from the United States to Ethiopia. I honor our agents' past support and look forward to providing them with new incentives to choose Ethiopian Airlines such as our new Boeing Dreamliner 787 due to come online in the 4th Quarter of 2009,” said Gobena Mikael, director of North and South America, Ethiopian Airlines.

Ethiopian Airlines has been awarded both the African Business of the Year and Best African Airline over the past decade. Ethiopian Airlines' expanded schedule includes direct flights from Washington Dulles International Airport to Addis Ababa on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

About Ethiopian Airlines

Ethiopian Airlines is one of the largest airlines in Africa, as winner of the 2007 African Business of the Year and Best African Airline Award for 2006 service and quality are superior when flying Ethiopian Airlines. Featuring five flights weekly from Washington D.C.'s Dulles International Airport, the airline offers both morning and evening departures, with the morning departure allowing seamless connections to 29 African destinations. The airline's web site provides excellent information on additional flights services and special web fares. Ethiopian Airlines provides seamless connections to 50 destinations around the globe. For more information about Ethiopian Airlines, visit www.seeyouinethiopia.com.