



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Ethiopian Airlines Proudly Launches Flight Services to Abu Dhabi Making them the Largest African Airline in the Middle East**

**Washington, D.C., July 10, 2007** – Showing consistent commitment to meet the growing needs of its passengers, Ethiopian Airlines has reintroduced service to Abu Dhabi. Said to be one of the richest cities in the world, Abu Dhabi is also a renowned tourist destination. Famous for its modern infrastructure, growing businesses and extravagant shopping, the commencement of services to Abu Dhabi will contribute to a growth in trade and cultural relationships between Ethiopia and Abu Dhabi. Service also will open the door for investment opportunities in Ethiopia, along with strengthening the existing relationship between the two countries.

Ethiopian Airlines' new service will conveniently link to more cities in Africa as well as expanding their network in the Middle East. The Airline will fly to Abu Dhabi three times per week with its new state-of-the-art B737-700 aircraft offering 16 luxurious business class seats and 102 spacious economy class seats.

2007 has marked a substantial increase in Ethiopian Airline's expansion into the Middle East. Currently with flights operating twice daily to Dubai, daily to Beirut, four times a week to Sana'a, three times to Jeddah and Bahrain Ethiopian Airlines is the largest African airline in the Middle East.

#### 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 six 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 28 African destinations. The airline's website provides excellent information on additional flights services and special web fares. Ethiopian Airlines provides seamless connections to 45 destinations around the globe. For more information about Ethiopian Airlines visit, [www.ethiopianairlines.com](http://www.ethiopianairlines.com)

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