



Coming soon: New flight service to Montserrat

A Montserrat based company, Montserrat Airways Limited (MA Ltd), has announced its plan to start a new flight service to Montserrat by mid-2009 operating under the name Fly Montserrat.

Montserrat Airways Limited (MA Ltd) has been granted funds from the Tourism Challenge Fund, which is administered by the Montserrat Tourist Board, and funded by the British Department for International Development (DFID). These funds will aid and enable to pursue the establishment of a Montserrat-based and controlled airline, which will help stimulate the growth of the island's economy.

Managing director Captain Nigel Harris believes "A Montserrat-based airline will provide the stability, reliability and flexibility to transfer visitors to Montserrat, as well as other islands."

The local airline will be offering on-demand charters, which will provide additional capacity at peak periods, urgent freight movements and day trips both on and off island at short notice.

Presently, Montserrat is accessible by air on Winair, which runs four daily scheduled flights from Antigua using a 19-seater aircraft. The additional service from Fly Montserrat will allow more visitors to the island on a daily basis.

Fly Montserrat is currently in the process of completing all the necessary approvals, registrations and procurements to ensure the service commences by mid-2009. The company's first nine-seater Islander aircraft is due to be delivered soon.

For more information about Montserrat see www.visitmontserrat.com and for further information about Fly Montserrat visit www.flymontserrat.com or contact Dwain Lovett at dwain@flymontserrat.com.

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