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## **Coyne Airways launches African Services**

Coyne creates a comprehensive customer-focused service to the African Continent.

**London, UK, Monday 28th January 2013** - Coyne Airways has launched customer- focused services to over 30 destinations across Africa, through three of the Continent's main hubs.

The airline has extensively trialled routes through Lagos, Nigeria, Nairobi, Kenya, and Johannesburg, South Africa, to create a comprehensive African service from virtually anywhere in the world.

"This is a new style of service for Africa, designed to give forwarders the kind of peace of mind they require when moving freight to challenging destinations," said Michael Clements, Coyne's Dubai-based Commercial Director, who has 15 years' experience of working in Africa.

"We don't just offer transportation from A to B, we work closely with customers to ensure that they always know where their shipments are.

"We are confident we can offer a superior service at a competitive price".

Coyne's African service will make use of over 30 interline partners and the airline's own 575 through air waybill, which helps to reduce delays when moving freight on more than a single carrier.

The service will move consignments from the largest oil and gas equipment, to the smallest, most delicate, shipments.

"Customer service is often lacking in Africa," said Larry Coyne, CEO, Coyne Airways, which celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

"The market is crying out for more than just point-to-point, and we are confident that we have the experience, network, and contacts on the ground to deliver excellent levels of service."

"We can provide a tailor-made service with the full flow of automatic updates that Coyne is known for."

The African market presents exciting opportunities for both import and export, according to Clements.

"There is a lot coming out of Africa, and not just pineapples and roses. Beauty products, textiles, and handicrafts are increasingly being exported, and there is oil and gas equipment which needs to be returned.

"We can mobilise quickly to deal with those jobs."

Coyne Airways will be exhibiting at Air Cargo Africa 2013 on the 20th-22nd February in Johannesburg, South Africa.

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#### About Coyne

Coyne Airways is an all-cargo airline based in London, UK, with a separate operation in Dubai, UAE, from where it serves all Gulf destinations with connections from North America, Europe, and Asia via a large network of interline partners. It operates scheduled cargo flights to Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Afghanistan, Iraq, and the UAE, using Antonov, Boeing, and Ilyshin aircraft, as required. Coyne Airways, which celebrates its 20th anniversary in 2013, provides reliable and secure scheduled cargo services to some of the world's most difficult to reach destinations, and has pioneered routes into the Caucuses, Central Asia, the oil and gas rich Sakhalin Island and, more recently, into Iraq, Afghanistan, and Africa. In 2012, Coyne spread its wings to Africa, working with regional partners to link the Middle East, North America, and Europe with a number of African destinations. Coyne also provides charter services into the areas it serves with scheduled services.