



## For Immediate Release

### **Lufthansa Enhances U.S. Lounge Network; Opens New Two-story Senator & Business Lounge at Washington Dulles**

**Chantilly, VA, Mar. 19, 2009** – Lufthansa today opened the doors to its new Senator and Business lounge at Washington Dulles International Airport. Spread across two levels and nearly 10,000 square feet, the lounge offers a full set of amenities so that guests can escape from the stress of traveling and relax until their departure.

The common entrance is located at the departures level in Concourse B. Located just behind the reception desk, the Senator Lounge boasts 95 seats, a sleek design and great views. A stairway and elevator in the reception area lead to the lower level Business Lounge with seating for about 90 and showers. The lounges are outfitted in Lufthansa's latest design elements and offer both a generous comfort zone with cozy leather seats and TVs, a work area with complementary Internet access from stationary Internet-terminals and a bistro zone featuring various snacks and drinks.

Lufthansa expects to welcome more than 100,000 lounge guests per year in the new lounge, including passengers of its Star Alliance partners SAS, South African Airways and Austrian Airlines. In addition, Star Alliance Gold cardholders can access the lounge.

“With its ideal location right next to the Lufthansa departure gates, our premium passengers can now enjoy more space, comfort and privacy until just before departure,” said Benedikt Schneider, Regional Director of Sales, Mid-Atlantic & Southeast U.S. “This investment also corresponds with the importance of Washington Dulles as one of Lufthansa’s top U.S. destinations, and further qualifies it as a potential A380 destination in the future.”

With the opening of this lounge, Lufthansa further expands its lounge network to an impressive total of 66 lounges at 26 worldwide locations, including six U.S. cities. Washington Dulles is Lufthansa's third U.S. lounge to open during the last several months, part of the airline's \$190 million USD upgrade of lounge facilities across its worldwide network. In January, Lufthansa opened a new three-story, First Class, Senator and Business Lounge at New York JFK. In December, it opened a new Senator & Business Lounge in Detroit's new North Terminal. Three new premium lounge facilities also opened their doors at Lufthansa's Frankfurt hub during the last few months, including a new First Class Lounge for transit passengers.

### **About Lufthansa**

One of the world's largest airlines, Lufthansa flies to some 194 destinations in 79 countries. Together with its Star Alliance partners, Lufthansa offers connections to 975 destinations in more than 162 countries and access to over 805 lounges worldwide. Lufthansa operates one of the most extensive trans-Atlantic route networks, with 250 weekly flights from its 22 North American gateways. With 15 aircraft on order, Lufthansa is the largest European operator of the fuel-efficient Airbus A380. It is also the launch customer for the new Boeing 747-8, with first deliveries in 2010. Currently, Lufthansa has 170 aircraft worth more than \$20 billion USD on order. For more information or reservations, visit [www.lufthansa.com](http://www.lufthansa.com) .

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