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## Aeromar introduces first ATR -600 in Mexico

### The carrier leases its first ATR -600 series aircraft from Air Lease Corporation

Aeromar, one of the major regional airlines in Mexico, today took delivery of its first of 2 ATR 72-600 to be acquired on long-term lease from Air Lease Corporation (ALC). The delivery sees Aeromar become the first operator of the ATR -600 series aircraft in the region. In addition, the new airplanes will be the premier turboprops up to 70 seats in Mexico.

Aeromar is ATR's longstanding customer with 14 ATR airplanes in its fleet (ten ATR 42-500s and four 42-320s). The newly acquired 68-seat turboprops will replace the smaller ATR 42-320 allowing the airline to further boost service to destinations it already flies to: from the capital Mexico City to airports in smaller cities like Poza Rica, San Luis Potosi or Ciudad Victoria.

Aeromar believes the market is ripe for a bigger turboprop aircraft and that the airline industry needs the improved productivity that the new plane can provide.

"Following the leasing of the new ATR aircraft, Aeromar seeks to maintain its fleet one of the freshest among the Latin American airlines," Fabricio Cojuc, Aeromar Executive Vice President said. "By renewing our fleet, we are aiming at more efficient operations. ATR 72-600s offers superior passenger capacity compared to the smaller aircraft models and lower fuel consumption per seat. In addition, they are very reliable and that should help with punctuality."

"We are very pleased to be delivering the first ATR 72-600 to Aeromar. As congestion puts pressure on airports in large cities in Mexico, we are sure the ATR 72-600 is the right solution as this larger turboprop aircraft provides more capacity and greater comfort and efficiency with fewer flights" commented Steven F. Udvar-Hazy, ALC's Chairman and CEO.

"We are delighted to receive a new order from our long-standing customer Aeromar for the best-selling ATR -600 series aircraft," said Filippo Bagnato, CEO of ATR. "The ATR 72-600's versatility and low operational costs have made it very popular with Latin American airlines. The comfort of the ATR -600's spacious cabin is also appealing to passengers. These eco-efficient ATR aircraft will definitely contribute to the growth and success of Mexico's regional aviation sector".

ATR is well established in Latin American region with more than 160 aircraft flying in the livery of 30 operators, including 14 aircraft currently being operated in Mexico.

#### About the ATR 72-600:

Passenger capacity: 68-74 seats  
Engines: Pratt & Whitney Canada PW 127M  
Maximum power at take-off: 2,750 horse power per engine  
Maximum weight at take-off: 23,000 Kg  
Maximum payload: 7,500 Kg  
Range with full passenger load: 900 nautical miles (1,665 Km)

**About Aeromar:**

Established in January 1987 as Transportes Aeromar, the carrier operates today scheduled direct services to Mexico's domestic destinations and international services to the USA. Aeromar is based at Mexico City International Airport and currently operates a fleet 14 ATR 42s and served 22 airports. Aeromar is the second largest regional airline in Mexico in terms of daily flights, after Aeromexico. For more information, visit Aeromar's website at [www.aeromar.com.mx](http://www.aeromar.com.mx)

**About Air Lease Corporation:**

ALC is an aircraft leasing company based in Los Angeles, California that has airline customers throughout the world. ALC and its team of dedicated and experienced professionals are principally engaged in purchasing commercial aircraft and leasing them to its airline partners worldwide through customized aircraft leasing and financing solutions. For more information, visit ALC's website at [www.airleasecorp.com](http://www.airleasecorp.com).

**About ATR:**

ATR is one of the world's leading manufacturers of regional aircraft with 90 seats or less. Founded in 1981, ATR has today become the benchmark for the regional air transport with sales exceeding 1200 aircraft, with over 182 operators in more than 90 countries. ATR is an equal partnership between two major European aerospace players, Alenia Aermacchi (a Finmeccanica Group company) and EADS. Its head office is in Toulouse. ATR is ISO 14001 certified.

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