FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF ROUTE NETWORK AT HEYDAR ALIYEV INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

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To develop the route network and increase passenger traffic, Heydar Aliyev International Airport is carrying out large-scale work on attracting large passenger airlines and opening new destinations, as reported at the airport.The airport management is actively negotiating with international passenger airlines, which are capable to operate regular flights from different cities of the world to Baku.

"As part of this work, the following five airlines started operating flights in 2019: Kuwait Airways, UrAirlines, Smartavia, Flynas, Pegasus. In total, the number of new airlines has reached 11 since last year. Etihad Airways, IranAir, GulfAir, Arkia, Nordwind and others are among them", - noted Director of Heydar Aliyev International Airport Teymur Hasanov.

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Today Heydar Aliyev International Airport serves 34 passenger airlines, which operate flights to more than 60 different destinations. Nine of the 34 airlines are low cost carriers, including Buta Airways (21 destinations), WizzAir (Budapest), AirBaltic (Riga), Pegasus Airlines (Izmir), Flynas (Riyadh), FlyDubai (Dubai) and AirArabia (Sharjah), Jazeera Airways (Kuwait), Smartavia (St. Petersburg).

Opening of new flights and attraction of new airlines will allow to further expand the geography of flights and will provide passengers with more opportunities for long-haul and comfortable flights, noted Hasanov.

Over the last five years, passenger traffic at Baku Airport has grown by 62%, and the projected passenger traffic in 2019 will be about five million passengers.

Heydar Aliyev International Airport serves as base airport for national carrier Azerbaijan Airlines and Buta Airways, Azerbaijani first low-cost airlines. AZAL and Buta Airways aircraft land in more than 40 cities in Europe, Asia and America.

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