

Increasing Traffic Rights between Poland and Korea

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- As a result of the Korea-Poland aviation meeting, the total number of weekly

Traffic Rights increases by 5 flights, as well as the one for Busan newly sets up

- Abolishing the obligation to conclude bilateral agreements on cargo between

the airlines of both countries through the aviation meeting with the UK

The Traffic Rights for passengers* between Korea (all airports) and Poland (all

airports) will be increased to 7 flights a week (+2 flights), for making the skyway

more widening, with the newly established one as 3 flights a week between

Korea (Busan) and Poland (all airports) as a result of the first Korea-Poland

aviation meeting** in 10 years since 2013.

* Traffic Rights refers to privilege in regard to weekly air traffic operation determined

by bilateral agreement

** Korea-Poland aviation meeting held on 16th-17th November in Warsaw, Poland

participated by Director General for Aviation Policy of the MOLIT and President of the

Civil Aviation Authority

Moreover, the abolition of restrictions on the expansion of cargo flights between

Korea and UK through the Korea-UK aviation meeting* is expected to further

facilitate the business, tourism and logistics transportation of Koreans in Europe.

* Korea-UK aviation meeting held on 13th~14th November in London, UK participated

by Director General for Aviation Policy of the MOLIT and Deputy Chief Air Services

Negotiator at Department for Transport, United Kingdom



The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MOLIT, Minister WON Hee-ryong) announced that it held aviation meetings with the Polish Civil Aviation Authority and the UK Department for Transport, and agreed to increase international Flight Rights.

Poland is a key partner country for Korean government to establish a bridgehead for entry into the Central and Eastern European markets as it is home to many of our production facilities*, and we have been recently strengthening our cooperation with the Polish government in various fields such as defense, plants, and cooperation in supporting the reconstruction of Ukraine.

* LG Energy Solutions' battery plant for electric vehicle located in Wrocław since 2016 and SK Nexilis' copper foil plant being under construction located in Stalowa Wola, etc.

Through the aviation meeting this time, the number of Flight Rights for passengers between Korea (all airports) and Poland (all airports) was increased from 5 to 7 (+2) flights a week, and 3 flights a week between Korea (Busan) and Poland (all airports) were also newly established to revitalize regional airports and facilitate long-distance travel for local residents.

On the other hand, through the aviation meeting with the UK, we abolished* the existing provision that obliged airlines of the two countries to sign bilateral agreements, which had previously restricted Korean airlines from operating cargo flights. This will make it easier for national carriers to expand cargo flights between Korea and the UK.

* (Existing) On the Korea-London (Heathrow, Gatwick) routes, independent cargo without an agreement with the other airline is only possible once a week, but the separate cargo operation twice a week with agreements on profit sharing, etc. must also be carried out in parallel → (Change) The provision has been repealed



In addition, in light of the UK's exit from the EU (Brexit), it was agreed that in the future, the designated airline on the UK side* can only be an airline that is substantially owned and controlled by a British national who is not a member of the EU.

* Airlines designated to operate scheduled flights on routes between the two countries (a separate operating license is required for actual service)

The Director General for Aviation Policy of the MOLIT KIM Young-guk expressed, "Through these agreements, exchanges of human and material with Europe are expected to become more active, while the new Gimhae-Warsaw flight will enable business owners and residents in non-metropolitan areas to travel to Europe directly from Gimhae Airport".