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### **Ethiopian Airlines Gets Honoured with Prestigious Multiple Accolades**

#### Addis Ababa, 19 September 2024

Ethiopian Airlines, Africa's leading airline, has been distinguished with multiple awards at the Zambia Airports Corporation Limited's 35th Anniversary. In a grand celebration of aviation excellence, Ethiopian Airlines has been exclusively recognized for 'Exceptional Commitment' and 'Outstanding Partnership' in the overall award category. This honor is a testament to its unwavering dedication and significant contribution to the success of Zambia Airports in both passenger and cargo services.

These accolades stand as a testament to Ethiopian Airlines' dedication to providing seamless travel experiences for passengers traveling to and from Zambia, effectively connecting the nation to its extensive global network of 139 destinations. The awards also highlight the airline's strong and fruitful partnership with Zambia Airports Corporation Limited, fostering a collaborative environment that benefits both organizations and the Zambian aviation landscape.

"We are honored to receive these prestigious awards from Zambia Airports Corporation Limited," said Mr. Mesfin Tasew, Group CEO of Ethiopian Airlines. "These recognitions reaffirm our steadfast commitment to Zambia and its people, and we are grateful for the opportunity to contribute to the country's economic growth and connectivity through our exceptional services. He added, "We will continue to strive for excellence in all aspects of our operations, further strengthening our partnership with Zambia Airports Corporation Limited and providing our valued customers with the highest standards of air travel."

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Ethiopian Airlines has played a pivotal role in combating the Covid-19 pandemic within Zambia by ensuring the continuous transport of essential medical supplies and providing emergency evacuation services. The airline's ongoing operations at Kenneth Kaunda International Airport underscore its unwavering commitment to its core mission of bridging Africa with the globe.

Ethiopian Airlines has been honoured with two prestigious awards in the current month. The first accolade, the Star Wide Awards 2024 for 'Efficient Service Provider Government Organization Sector of the Year', was awarded based on public voting, recognizing the airline's exceptional service and performance. The second, the 'Outstanding Tourism Transportation Award', was presented at the annual African Tourism Leadership Forum held in Gaborone, Botswana, acknowledging Ethiopian Airlines' significant contributions to tourism transportation across Africa.

### **About Ethiopian**

Ethiopian Airlines Group (Ethiopian) is one of the fastest-growing airlines brand globally and the continent's largest airline brand. In its seventy-eight years of successful operations, Ethiopian has become one of the continent's leading carriers, unrivalled in efficiency and operational success. Ethiopian commands the lion's share of the African passenger and cargo network operating the youngest and most modern fleet to more than 150 domestic and international passenger and cargo destinations across five continents. Ethiopian's fleet category consists of ultra-modern and environmentally friendly aircraft such as Boeing 737s, 777s, 787s, Airbus A350-900 and De Havilland Q400.

Ethiopian is also pursuing multi-hub strategy through hubs in Lomé, Togo with ASKY, in Lilongwe, Malawi with Malawi Airlines and in Lusaka, Zambia with Zambia Airways. Having achieved its strategic plan (Vision 2025) ahead of time, Ethiopian is currently implementing a 15-year strategic plan Vision 2035 that will see it become one of the top

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20 most competitive and leading aviation groups in the world. Ethiopian has been champion in various coveted awards including Skytrax's 'Best Airline in Africa Award' for seven consecutive years among others. The airline has been a Star Alliance member since 2011 and has been registering more than threefold growth in the past 10 years.

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