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ADDITIONAL FLIGHTS BUILD ACCESS

Cairns Airport and Tourism Tropical North Queensland welcome today's announcement of additional flights into Cairns from Guam by Continental Airlines.

Cairns Airport and Tourism Tropical North Queensland also thank the Australian and Queensland Governments with whom we've worked closely to facilitate these extra services.

"Continental is adding six extra flights to their schedule during March and two extra services each week from April to September to offer a total of 16 services each month." Executive General Manager Cairns Airport Kayleen Collins said.

"Guam is an important aviation hub with excellent connections through to Japan and the United States."

Tourism Tropical North Queensland Chief Executive Officer, Rob Giason said "this is exactly what we need, around 10,000 additional seats into Cairns. The expansion of scheduled services between Guam and Cairns opens up the whole of Japan for holidays in Tropical North Queensland because seven Japanese regions have direct flights to Guam. There is also a substantial market for R&R for the military personal and their families stationed on Guam which is just a four hour flight from Cairns. Over the next five years the US Defence Department is relocating its military base from Okinawa in Japan, to Guam which will increase the population by around 25,000."

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