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THREE NEW AIR CARGO WAREHOUSES IN CANADA

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On 1 October, Swissport opened a new air cargo warehouse at Halifax Stanfield International Airport, its sixth cargo location in Canada and the third new Canadian warehouse in under half a year. With the new 370 sqm facility, Swissport complements its local offering in Passenger Services with Air Cargo Handling and continues to deliver on its ambitions in the Canadian air cargo market. In comparison with 2019, the company's volumes in Canada are up 35%, underlining the need for increased warehousing and logistics capacity.

"With the opening of new warehouses across Canada, we are leveraging Swissport's global expertise to deliver world-class air cargo handling at more Canadian airports," says Charles Roberge, CEO of Swissport in Canada. "We are adding more services in more places making sure we meet the growing needs of our customers and changes in the industry. With its comprehensive service portfolio Swissport in Canada aspires to be the partner of choice for global and local customer airlines alike and we will continue to invest in our service delivery."

Just recently, new air cargo warehouses were opened at Montréal–Mirabel International Airport and Edmonton International Airport. The 500 sqm Montréal-Mirabel location again represents an extension of Swissport's local service offering, adding Air Cargo Handling to the established Fueling activities. At Edmonton International, the existing full range of Passenger Services is supplemented by a new 1,000 sqm air cargo warehouse with options for a further expansion. The additional capacity contributes to Swissport's focus on cargo growth in the region.

"Enabling continued growth in our cargo and logistics sector is a major priority and this expansion by Swissport is a great example of business leadership." says Tom Ruth, President and CEO of Edmonton International Airport. "Swissport is one of the largest air cargo handling companies in the world and a long-time member of our airport community. With the growth in cargo business at EIA, Swissport is seizing the opportunity to expand its services and create more jobs and opportunities for our community. 2020 saw tremendous growth in cargo demand and that has continued this year. As the only Canadian airport community with the global IATA CEIV Pharma certification, we look forward to more developments supporting EIA's position as a major logistics centre."

In 2020, Swissport International AG provided best-in-class airport ground services for some 82 million airline passengers (pre-Covid 2019: 265 million) and handled roughly 4.1 million tons of air freight (2019: 4.6 million) at over 100 cargo warehouses worldwide. Several of its warehouses have been certified for pharmaceutical logistics by IATA's CEIV Pharma and by the British MHRA. The world's leader in airport ground services and air cargo handling, with currently around 45,000 employees, was active at 269 airports in 47 countries on six continents at the end of 2020.

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