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## **Four more Airlines to Join SIA at Terminal 3**

### ***China Eastern Airlines, Jet Airways, Qatar Airways and United Airlines to join Singapore Airlines in operating from Terminal 3***

The Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) has made an offer to four airlines to move their operations to Singapore Changi Airport's Terminal 3. The four airlines, China Eastern Airlines, Jet Airways, Qatar Airways and United Airlines, will join Singapore Airlines in operating from Terminal 3. Terminal 3, currently undergoing tests and trials, opens for flight operations on 9 January 2008.

The decision to offer the four airlines to move their operations to Terminal 3 was reached after careful and detailed assessments. CAAS had earlier written to all airlines at Changi Airport to check which airlines would be interested to be considered to operate from Terminal.

Dialogues were also held with airlines to address their questions and concerns about moving their operations.

CAAS assessed the airlines' interest to move to Terminal 3 based on the guiding principle of distributing capacity usage across all three terminals, so as to optimise the usage of airport capacity and facilities.

CAAS' Director-General and Chief Executive Officer, Mr Lim Kim Choon, said, "CAAS has made in-depth assessments of the airlines' interest to move to Terminal 3. Our main aim is to optimise the usage of all three main terminals, which will provide capacity for airlines at each terminal to grow their operations. The four new airlines moving their operations to Terminal 3 will also enable Changi Airport to spread out usage of the three terminals in a balanced manner."

Mr Lim added, "We look forward to welcoming the new airlines at Terminal 3 and share their excitement about commencing flight operations at the new terminal."

As at 1 October 2007, Changi Airport is served by 81 airlines operating some 4,220 weekly scheduled flights to 192 cities in 59 countries.