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First-Ever Festive Light-Up of Changi Airport Control Tower

To add to the festive cheer, CAAS introduces 'No GST shopping zone' at Terminal 3's public areas and launches shopping promotion

Singapore's Minister for Transport and Second Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr Raymond Lim, today launched the first-ever festive light-up of the Singapore Changi Airport Control Tower, as well as the external façade of the airport's terminal buildings. Complementing the large-scale display of dazzling red and gold lights are Disney-themed decorations that have been put up throughout the airport. In addition, with the introduction of a 'No Goods and Services Tax (GST) shopping zone' at Terminal 3's public areas, passengers and airport visitors will enjoy greater savings when they shop at participating retail outlets.

Minister Lim said, "2008 has been a milestone year for Changi Airport as we witness the successful opening of our brand new Terminal 3. The extensive light-up and decorations involving the iconic Changi Airport Control Tower for the first time enhances the unique Changi Airport experience for airport visitors and passengers alike."

The "Celebrate the Magic at Changi Airport" light-up at Changi Airport will stretch over two festive seasons - Christmas and the Chinese New Year. From today until 9 February 2009, passengers and airport visitors driving towards Changi Airport in the evenings will be greeted by a 60-metre high showcase of lights on the sides of the Control Tower. The light-up can also be viewed from the Skytrain connecting Terminals 1, 2 and 3. To delight young children, the landscaped areas around the Control Tower, the external façade of terminal buildings and roof of the Budget Terminal have been decorated with Disney-themed characters namely 'Mickey and Minnie Mouse', 'Donald and Daisy Duck', 'Goofy' and 'Pluto'. The event areas within the terminals will feature the Disney characters in various festive decorative stage designs.

To boost the airport retail shopping experience, CAAS has introduced a 'No GST shopping zone' at the public areas of Terminal 3. Shoppers will save on the 7% GST when they shop at any of the 27 participating retail shops located at Terminal 3's public areas on levels 2, 3 and Basement 2 as the GST will be absorbed by the shops. Terminal 3 was selected as the launch pad as it has the largest retail space in the public areas, compared to the other terminals.

An airport-wide shopping promotion is also taking place until 31 January 2009 at the retail and dining outlets. In the Departure / Transit Mall, passengers who spend a

minimum of S\$80 with VISA or S\$120 by other means in a single receipt can redeem Disney cushions and stand a chance to win a trip for two to Disney World Florida. In the public areas, those who spend a minimum of S\$50 with VISA or S\$80 by other means in a single receipt can redeem Disney notepads and stand a chance to win a trip for two to Tokyo Disneyland.

A host of exciting events involving special appearances by 'Mickey and friends' has also been planned from 12 to 28 December 2008 for passengers in the Departure / Transit Malls. Free photo-taking services will be provided for passengers to capture their interaction with the Disney characters. In addition, during the Chinese New Year festive period, special booths will be set up for passengers to take part in activities such as calligraphy and paper cutting. Airport visitors will also get an opportunity to meet the Disney characters at Terminal 3's Basement 2 during selected weekends in December 2008.