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### **SCDI Comment on Emirates Airline's investment in Scotland**

Commenting on today's announcement that Emirates is to double its Glasgow-Dubai service, Chief Executive of SCDI, Dr Lesley Sawers said:

"The announcement of a second daily service by Emirates is excellent news for both Glasgow and Scotland's economy. SCDI has set ambitious targets for Scotland to double its exports over the next decade and international air links are vital to achieving this.

"With Emirates serving some of the world's fastest growing and wealthiest markets in the Middle East and Asia, this provides even more opportunities for our companies to get out to these markets and win business.

"We look forward to working with Emirates to take even more Scottish companies overseas and supporting them to achieve their global ambitions"

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#### **Notes to editors**

SCDI is Scotland's leading independent economic development organisation representing 1,200 companies, SMEs, public sector bodies, charities, trade unions and faith groups.

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