

## ANA Retired Aircraft Makes a Comeback for Training Purposes

**TOKYO, May 11, 2018** — All Nippon Airways (ANA) today announced that in July 2018, the company will celebrate the comeback of a Boeing 737-500 out of retirement as a dedicated maintenance training jet to help assure its maintenance technicians have the best tools for training and to ensure the highest level of quality maintenance. ANA is the first Japanese airline to incorporate a non-operating fully functional jet into its training program.

Over the past 20 years, this Boeing 737-500 aircraft, nicknamed Super Dolphin, has flown all over Japan's domestic skies from Hokkaido to Ishigaki, Okinawa. With this training dedicated jet, the trainees are able to make and learn from mistakes without being afraid of jeopardizing operations. This will further enhance maintenance quality and allow for efficient training. ANA hopes that with the addition of Super Dolphin to the training facility, the trainees will feel a closer connection with the aircraft and become more familiarized with its parts and functions to a point where working on it will become second nature to them.

ANA will continue to maintain the highest levels of safety as the foundation of our business and will aim to further enhance the quality of our services to all of our customers around the world.



Retired Boeing 737-500 planned to be used for maintenance training



Mechanics training with operating aircraft

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### About ANA

Following the "Inspiration of Japan" high quality of service, ANA has been awarded the respected 5-Star rating from SKYTRAX for six consecutive years starting in 2013. Additionally, ANA has been recognized by *Air Transport World* as "Airline of the Year" three times in the past 10 years - 2007, 2013 and 2018, becoming one of the few airlines winning this prestigious award for multiple times.

ANA was founded in 1952 with two helicopters and has become the largest airline in Japan, as well as one of the most significant airlines in Asia, operating 85 international routes and 119 domestic routes. ANA offers a unique dual hub model which enables passengers to travel to Tokyo and connect through the two airports in the metropolitan Tokyo, NARITA and HANEDA, to various destinations throughout Japan, and also offers same day connections between various North American, Asian and Chinese cities.

ANA has been a member of Star Alliance since 1999 and has joint venture partnerships with United Airlines, Lufthansa German Airlines, Swiss International Airlines and Austrian Airlines.

Besides the full service and award winner carrier ANA, the ANA Group has two LCCs as consolidated subsidiaries, Vanilla Air Inc. and Peach Aviation Limited. The ANA Group carried 52.1 million passengers in FY2016, has approximately 39,000 employees and a fleet of 260 aircraft. ANA is a proud launch customer and the biggest operator of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner.