

## DHL Global Forwarding Japan and ANA Partner for Delivery of Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine to Japan

- Joint partnership for the delivery of COVID-19 vaccines by Pfizer, DHL Global Forwarding Japan and ANA shows the strength of each company's goods and services across the global network.



Arrival of first vaccine flight in Japan

**TOKYO, February 19, 2021** – Pfizer Inc. (hereinafter “Pfizer”), DHL Global Forwarding Japan (hereinafter “DHL”) and All Nippon Airways (ANA) has commenced distribution of COVID-19 vaccines under a joint partnership for the international transportation of vaccines between Belgium and Japan.

While there are a number of key challenges involved in the transportation and distribution of vaccines and other pharmaceutical supplies, Pfizer, DHL and ANA respectively boast exceptional track record in the delivery of pharmaceutical goods, and have jointly established a reliable and efficient operation structure for the vaccine delivery from Belgium to Japan.

Pfizer, over 60 years in Japan, brings therapies to people that extend and significantly improve their lives applying science and our global resources. The vaccine, which is based on BioNTech's proprietary mRNA technology, was developed by both BioNTech and Pfizer. Under the terms of the final agreement signed by MHLW and Pfizer Japan Inc., approximately 144 million doses of this vaccine will be supplied to Japan in 2021.

With more than 9,000 life science and healthcare specialists across its global network, DHL will leverage its global and domestic cold chain networks, as well as pharmaceutical logistics expertise, to safely bring in vaccines throughout the year and dispatch them to vaccination facilities across the country. Over the past few months, its specialist teams in Japan, together with Pfizer and ANA have spent countless hours planning, strategizing and stress-testing its network and infrastructure to ensure it has the capability to move vaccines safely in accordance with the strictest requirements.

With an extensive network, ANA serves as the ideal partner for the global distribution of the vaccines. In addition, ANA has been certified by IATA's Center of Excellence for Independent Validators in Pharmaceutical Logistics (CEIV Pharma) since 2017, the first for a Japanese airline, to ensure that vaccines are transported safely and efficiently. ANA has also instituted the [ANA Care Promise](#), a series of protocols designed to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

As the impact of the outbreak prolongs, Pfizer, DHL and ANA remains committed to doing all it can to empower healthcare workers and public health professionals.

### **About Pfizer Inc.: Breakthroughs that change patients' lives**

At Pfizer, we apply science and our global resources to bring therapies to people that extend and significantly improve their lives. We strive to set the standard for quality, safety and value in the discovery, development and manufacture of health care products, including innovative medicines and vaccines. Every day, Pfizer colleagues work across developed and emerging markets to advance wellness, prevention, treatments and cures that challenge the most feared diseases of our time. Consistent with our responsibility as one of the world's premier innovative biopharmaceutical companies, we collaborate with health care providers, governments and local communities to support and expand access to reliable, affordable health care around the world. For more than 150 years, we have worked to make a difference for all who rely on us. We routinely post information that may be important to investors on our website at [www.Pfizer.com](http://www.Pfizer.com). In addition, to learn more, please visit us on [www.Pfizer.com](http://www.Pfizer.com) and follow us on Twitter at [@Pfizer](https://twitter.com/Pfizer) and [@Pfizer News](https://twitter.com/PfizerNews), [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/company/pfizer), YouTube and like us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/Pfizer](https://www.facebook.com/Pfizer).

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### **About ANA**

Following the "Inspiration of Japan" high quality of service, ANA has been awarded the respected 5-Star rating every year since 2013 from SKYTRAX. ANA is the only Japanese airline to win this prestigious designation eight years in a row. 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 82 international routes and 118 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.

In addition to the full service and award-winning record of ANA, the ANA Group's subsidiary Peach Aviation Limited is the leading LCC in Japan, and has expanded following the integration of Vanilla Air Inc. in late 2019. The ANA Group carried 54.4 million passengers in FY2018, has approximately 43,000 employees and a fleet of 260 aircraft. ANA is a proud launch customer and the biggest operator of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner.

For more information, please refer to the following link.

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