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TSA Pre✓™ Begins at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport

CLEVELAND – The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) today announced the start of TSA Pre✓™ operations at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE). Under TSA Pre✓™ passengers traveling domestically from CLE who are select American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, United Airlines and US Airways frequent travelers or members of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Trusted Traveler programs are now eligible to participate in TSA Pre✓™ and may receive expedited screening benefits at the South Checkpoint.

TSA Pre✓™ is part of the agency's larger effort to implement risk-based security concepts that enhance security by focusing efforts on travelers considered high-risk and about whom the agency knows less. To date, more than 7.5 million passengers have experienced TSA Pre✓™. By the end of March, TSA Pre✓™ will be available at 40 airports for eligible passengers traveling on Alaska, American, Delta, United and US Airways.

“TSA Pre✓™ is a passenger pre-screening program that allows TSA to make risk assessments on passengers who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying,” said TSA Federal Security Director Michael Young. “This intelligence-driven program is one of several risk-based security initiatives TSA has implemented that helps us move away from the one-size-fits-all screening model and improve the passenger experience.”

Eligible passengers include U.S. citizens flying on participating airlines as well as those who are members of CBP Trusted Traveler programs, including Global Entry, SENTRI and NEXUS. Canadian citizens traveling domestically in the United States who are members of NEXUS are also qualified to participate in TSA Pre✓™. Individuals interested in participating can apply by visiting www.globalentry.gov.

If TSA determines a passenger is eligible for expedited screening through the TSA Pre✓™ pre-screening process, information is embedded in the barcode of the passenger's boarding pass. TSA reads the barcode at the designated checkpoint and the passenger may be referred to the TSA Pre✓™ lane where they will undergo expedited screening, which could include being able to leave their shoes, light outerwear and belt on, allowing them to keep their laptop in its case and their 3-1-1 compliant liquids/gels bag in carry-on.

TSA has expanded TSA Pre✓™ benefits to U.S. military active duty members traveling through Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall, Charlotte Douglas International, Denver International, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International, Honolulu International, Lambert-St. Louis International, Ronald Reagan Washington National, Seattle-Tacoma International and Washington Dulles International airports. In addition to TSA Pre✓™, TSA has implemented other risk-based security measures including modified screening procedures for passengers 12 and younger and 75 and older.

TSA will always incorporate random and unpredictable security measures throughout the airport and no individual is guaranteed expedited screening. TSA's multi-layered approach to security also includes behavior detection officers, explosives-detection systems, canine teams, and federal air marshals, among other measures both seen and unseen.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) was created in the wake of September 11, 2001, to strengthen the security of the nation's transportation systems and ensure the freedom of movement for people and commerce. Today, TSA secures the nation's airports and screens all commercial airline passengers and baggage. TSA uses a risk-based strategy and works closely with transportation, law enforcement and intelligence communities to set the standard for excellence in transportation security. TSA's workforce comprises approximately 50,000 frontline officers who screen approximately 1.8 million travelers each day at more than 450 airports nationwide. For more information about TSA, please visit our website at www.tsa.gov.

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