1995 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS TESTIMONY -- METRO-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY

MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE,

ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF METROPOLITAN DADE

COUNTY, FLORIDA, THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION OF THE

MIAMI URBANIZED AREA AND THE METRO-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY, WE ARE

GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY BEFORE YOU AND WE

RESPECTFULLY SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING TESTIMONY REQUESTING

APPROPRIATION AND SPECIFIC DESIGNATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT FUNDS

FOR BUS ROLLING STOCK AND TWO FIXED GUIDEWAY CORRIDOR PROJECTS.

THE SPECIFIC APPROPRIATIONS ACTIONS BEING REQUESTED FOR THE"

1996 FISCAL YEAR INCLUDE \$29.4 MILLION OF TRANSIT SECTION 3-BUS

FUNDS FOR BUS ROLLING STOCK, \$8 MILLION OF TRANSIT SECTION 3-NEW

START FUNDS FOR BEGINNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH

CORRIDOR FIXED GUIDEWAY PROJECT AND \$45.6 MILLION OF TRANSIT

SECTION 3-NEW START FUNDS FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN OF THE

AIRPORT-SEAPORT FIXED GUIDEWAY SEGMENT OF THE EAST-WEST

CORRIDOR/MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER PROJECT.

### BACKGROUND

DADE COUNTY IS RAPIDLY EXPANDING ITS STATURE AS A LARGE METROPOLITAN AREA, NOT ONLY BY ITSELF WITH A POPULATION OF OVER TWO MILLION PEOPLE, BUT ALSO AS A PRINCIPAL MEMBER OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA GOLD COAST -- A THREE-COUNTY REGION OF NEARLY FIVE MILLION RESIDENTS; DADE COUNTY IS ONE OF THE NATION'S PRIMARY INTERNATIONAL HUBS FOR TOURISTS, CARGO AND INTERNATIONAL

BUSINESS AS SUCH, TRANSPORTATION IS A MAJOR FOCAL POINT IN OUR CONTINUED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC GROWTH. THE IMPORTANCE OF TRANSPORTATION TO OUR COMMUNITY IS EXEMPLIFIED IN THE FOLLOWING STATISTICS:

- DADE COUNTY'S PUBLIC TRANSIT PROVIDER, THE METRO-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY (MDTA) IS THE EIGHTEENTH LARGEST TRANSIT ACENCY IN THE NATION AND PROVIDES 55% OF THE PASSENGER TRIPS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA WITH NEARLY 85 MILLION PUBLIC TRANSIT BOARDINGS ANNUALLY IN AN UNIQUE POUR-MODE OPERATION.
- MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE SEVENTH LARGEST AIRPORT IN THE COUNTRY, IS NUMBER TWO IN INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS WITH OVER 42% OF ITS 30 MILLION ANNUAL PASSENGERS TRAVELING ON INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS. IN CARGO, MIAMI INTERNATIONAL IS NUMBER ONE WITH OVER 80% OF ITS 1.4 MILLION TONS PER YEAR CARRIED ON INTERNATIONAL PLANES. THESE ARE REMARKABLE STATISTICS CONSIDERING THE LOSS OF TWO MAJOR AIR CARRIERS IN THE RECENT PAST. NEAR-TERM GROWTH PROJECTIONS IN BOTH PASSENGER AND CARGO CATEGORIES ARB IN DOUBLE DIGITS. EVEN THOUGH MIAMI INTERNATIONAL IS A HUB AIRPORT FOR SEVERAL MAJOR AIR CARRIERS, DADE COUNTY IS THE DEBARKATION POINT FOR ROUGHLY TWO-THIRDS OF THEIR ARRIVING PASSENGERS. OVER 100 DIFFERENT AIR CARRIERS USE THE MIAMI INTERNATIONAL FACILITIES 'AND WITH ONLY HALF THE AVAILABLE PARKING SPACES OF COMPARABLE AIRPORTS, THE CURRENT \$2.4 BILLION 10-YEAR EXPANSION PROGRAM IS MOST LIMITED BY LANDSIDE ACCESS.
- \* THE SEAPORT OF MIAMI IS THE NUMBER ONE CRUISEPORT IN THE WORLD, BEING THE HOST PORT OF 10 CRUISE SHIPS AND

HANDLING OVER 3.2 MILLION CRUISE PASSENGERS ANNUALLY.

CRUISE SHIPS OPERATING OUT OF THE SEAPORT OF MIAMI ARE

CONTINUALLY BEING REPLACED BY NEWER, LARGER SISTERSHIPS.

SIGNIFICANT FACILITY EXPANSION HAS BEEN PLANNED TO

ACCOMMODATE MORE AND LARGER CRUISE SHIPS. BECAUSE OVER 80%

OF THE CRUISESHIP PASSENGERS ARRIVE AT AND DEPART FROM MIAMI

INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ON A MONDAY-THROUGH-FRIDAY CYCLE, A

LARGE WEEKEND PEAK PASSENGER LOAD IS CREATED. LIKE THE

AIRPORT, THE FORECASTED GROWTH RESULTING FROM THIS SEASIDE

CAPACITY WILL BE SEVERELY LIMITED UNLESS THE LANDSIDE ACCESS

IS LIKEWISE INCREASED.

INDEED, DADE COUNTY HAS BECOME THE CAPITAL OF THE AMERICAS...
WITH THE INCREASE IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE, DADE COUNTY IS UNIQUELY
POSITIONED BOTH GEOGRAPHICALLY AND DEMOGRAPHICAL TO LEAD OUR
COUNTRY IN ITS EFFORTS TO EXPAND THE NATIONAL TRADE INITIATIVES
AND CREATE A REGIONAL TRADING BLOCK OF UNPRECEDENTED STRENGTH.

DADE COUNTY CAN BE TO THE AMERICAS WHAT HONG KONG IS TO THE FAR
EAST. THIS IS VITAL NOT JUST FOR DADE COUNTY, BUT FOR THE U.S.
IN THIS EVER-COMPETITIVE WORLD. BECAUSE OF THE LARGE VOLUME OF
RESIDENTS AND VISITORS WHO HAVE A VARIETY OF INTRA-COUNTY
MOBILITY NEEDS FOR GETTING TO AND FROM WORK, EDUCATION AND HEALTH
CENTERS, AIRPORTS, THE SEAPORT AND WIDELY DISPERSED HOTELS AND
TOURIST ATTRACTIONS, A MODERN AND EFFICIENT MULTIMODAL
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE DEVELOPING
COUNTY MOBILITY PLAN.

IN 1990, DADE COUNTY AND ITS METROPOLITAN PLANNING
ORGANIZATION (MPO) DEVELOPED AND ADOPTED A YEAR 2010 LONG-RANGE

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. PLAN. THIS 20-YEAR COUNTYWIDE PLAN INCLUDED A TRANSPORTATION COMPONENT DESIGNED TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT INFRASTRUCTURE TO ACCOMMODATE THE GROWING MOBILITY NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY.

FEATURED IN THIS LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) WAS THE IDENTIFICATION OF SIX HIGH-PRIORITY TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS TRAVERSING THE COUNTY AND AUGMENTING THE EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSIT AND MAJOR ROADWAY SYSTEMS. THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENHANCED PEOPLE-MOVING CAPACITY IN THESE CORRIDORS WAS DETERMINED TO BE ESSENTIAL FOR LINKING THE TRAVEL AND ACTIVITY CENTERS OF DADE COUNTY.

IN 1992, DADE COUNTY EXPERIENCED ONE OF THIS COUNTRY'S MOST SEVERE NATIONAL DISASTERS -- HURRICANE ANDREW. ONE OF THE LEGACIES LEFT BY THE HURRICANE EXPERIENCE IN DADE COUNTY IS THE IMPACT ON OUR TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE -- SPECIFICALLY OUR TRAFFIC CONGESTION. ROADWAY AND TRANSIT SERVICE HAD BEEN DEVELOPING IN CONCERT WITH CONCURRENT COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT. THE DISLOCATION OF BUSINESSES AND HOMES FOLLOWING THE HURRICANE COMPLETELY DISORIENTED PERSONAL TRAVEL PATTERNS AND ADDED RECONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC, CRITICALLY IMPACTING ALL MAJOR CORRIDORS. THE GREATER MIAMI AREA WAS RANKED FOURTH IN THE NATION IN TRAFFIC CONGESTION BEFORE HURRICANE ANDREW! SINCE THE HURRICANE, TRAFFIC CONGESTION HAS WORSENED SIGNIFICANTLY. WHILE MUCH OF THIS INCREASED TRAFFIC CONGESTION MAYBE OF A TEMPORARY NATURE DURING THE REBUILDING AND RECOVERY PERIOD, SOME WILL CERTAINLY BECOME PERMANENT, ADDING TO AN ALREADY UNACCEPTABLE SITUATION.

WHILE THE IMPACT OF THE HURRICANE HAS DEFINITELY TAXED OUR

EXISTING TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE, ANALYSIS OF THE LONGER
TERM TRENDS AND PATTERNS SUGGEST THAT THE COUNTY'S LONG-RANGE
TRANSPORTATION PLAN REMAINS INTACT WITH REFERENCE TO ITS SET OF
COMPONENT PROJECTS. WHAT HAS CHANGED IS THE URGENCY OF WHICH
THESE PROJECTS ARE NEEDED. HURRICANE ANDREW HAS EXACERBATED AND
MATERIALLY ACCELERATED THE NEED FOR FULFILLING THE OBJECTIVES OF
THE LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN,

ALL OF THE PROJECTS HIGHLIGHTED IN THIS APPROPRIATIONS
REQUEST ARE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF DADE COUNTY'S LONG-RANGE
TRANSPORTATION PLAN. THE BUS PROCUREMENT AND THE NORTH CORRIDOR
PROJECT HAVE ALREADY BEEN INITIATED WITH FEDERAL TRANSIT FUNDS
PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED. THE EAST-WEST CORRIDOR/MIAMI INTERMODAL'
'CENTER PROJECT IS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
ANALYSIS WITH A MAJOR INVESTMENT STUDY HAVING BEEN PERFORMED WITH
FLEXIBLE FEDERAL HIGHWAY FUNDING SUPPORT. THE CURRENT REQUESTS
ARE TO CONTINUE THESE PROJECTS THROUGH THEIR NEXT PHASES.

NON-FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS ARE IN PLACE FOR EACH REQUEST.

DADE COUNTY'S PROGRAM OF INTERRELATED TRANSPORTATION

PROJECTS IS AN OUTGROWTH OF THE COUNTY'S LONG-RANGE

TRANSPORTATION PLAN. IT REPRESENTS A COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC

MOBILITY PROGRAM FEATURING BOTH HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC TRANSIT

COMPONENTS WHICH PROVIDE VITAL INTERMODAL CONNECTIONS BETWEEN

FACILITIES AND SERVICES LEADING INTO, OUT OF AND WITHIN OUR

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, THIS CONNECTIVITY LINKS THE MIAMI

INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE SEAPORT OF MIAMI, TRI-COUNTY COMMUTER

RAIL, AMTRAK, INTERCITY BUS SERVICE, LOCAL URBAN RAIL AND BUS

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SERVICE, NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM CORRIDORS AND FUTURE HIGH-SPEED RAIL SERVICE FOR A TRULY INTERMODAL NETWORK OF LOCAL, STATEWIDE, REGIONAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL INTEREST. THIS PROGRAM WAS PRESENTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE LAST YEAR.

### LOCAL AND STATE COMMITMENTS

THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT), ALONG WITH THE TRANSIT, ATRPORT, SEAPORT AND COMMUTER RAIL STAFF AND LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS, HAVE ALL PARTICIPATED IN ASSEMBLING THE INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR DADE COUNTY. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT HAS ALSO BEEN HIGHLIGHTED WITH OVER 500 PUBLIC MEETINGS HAVING BEEN HELD REGARDING THE VARIOUS CORRIDOR PROJECTS.

DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES ARE UNDERWAY IN THREE OF THE \$1X HIGH-PRIORITY TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS UTILIZING A BLEND OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY, FEDERAL TRANSIT, STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES. STATE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING HAS INCREASED AND A LOCAL-OPTION GAS TAX, PARTIALLY DEDICATED TO TRANSIT CAPITAL PROJECTS, HAS BEEN ENACTED.

THE MPO AND FDOT HAVE ALREADY COMMITTED FLEXIBLE ISTEA FUNDS

AND AVAILABLE TRANSIT FUNDS TO PERFORM DETAILED CORRIDOR STUDIES

-- ACCORDING TO NEW FHWA/FTA JOINT PLANNING REGULATIONS -- IN TWO

OF THE CORRIDORS. STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES HAVE BEEN

IDENTIFIED TO MATCH PROSPECTIVE FEDERAL MONIES FOR FULL

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPONENT PROJECTS NOW BEING ADVANCED.

# I. INTRODUCTION

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting Major Investment Studies (MIS) for the East-West Multimodal Corridor and the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC), informally known as the "Connecting People" East-West/MIC Study. The East-West Multimodal Corridor project will connect points between Miami Beach, Downtown Miami and Florida International University along State Road 836 (SR 836).

The purpose of the MIC la to provido a central transfer point for regional trips involving several rail modes, local and inter-city bus service and private automobiles. The MIC would also become an extension of Miami International Airport (MIA) and would include selected landside terminal functions in or adjacent to the facility.

In 1991, the United States Congress enacted the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) to provide for a more balanced transportation system throughout the country. FDOT followed this lead by enacting Intrastate Highway System Policies and Priorities. This legislation limits the number of general use lanes to six on Florida's highway system, and requires that up to four high occupancy vehicle lanes be considered to capture the excess demand on the highway. The East-West Multimodal Corridor and the MIC are two of the first "Intermodal" projects funded under ISTEA.

In addition, the Metro Dade Year 2010 Transportation Plan prepared in 1990 by the Metropolitan Planning Organization, identified West Dade and Mianii Beach among six corridors for priority transf improvements

In the summer of 1993, six federal agencies, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Maritime Administration and the United States Coast Guard signed a Memorandum of Understanding with FDOT to coordinate each agency's role and responsibilities in implementing actions related to tho two projects.

In June, 1993 FDOT commissioned a team of specialty consultants led by the firms of Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc. and ICF Kaiser Engineers, Inc. to conduct Environmental and Engineering studies for the East-West Multimodal Corridor and the Miami Intermodal Center respectively. In addition an extensive Public Information Program (PIP) was established to inform the community and receive feedback on the studies.

Tha MIS studies will provide FDOT with an objective evaluation of feasible alternatives, contained in the Draft Environmental Impact Statements (DEIS). The DEIS documents will be circulated, and Public Hearing(s) are scheduled for August 1995. Subsequent to the Public Hearing, and receipt of public input, a locally preferred alternativo will be

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identified, to be followed by Final Environment and Engineering Statements (FEIS). The FEIS documents will enable FDOT to seek and obtain Location/Design acceptances from the Federal Highway Administration.

Two oversight committees, the Technical Steering Committee and the Policy Steering Committee, were established to provide guidance and direction to the MIC and East-West Multimodal Corridor studies. Representation on these committees include:

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA):

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA):

United States Coast Guard (USCG):

Florida Department of Transportation (FOOT);

Dade County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO);

Dade County Aviation Department (DCAD);

Metro-Dade Transit Agency (MDTA);

Tri-County Commuter Rail Authority; and

The Port of Miami.

A key component to the success of this project is the coordination with local, state and federal agencies, and most importantly, the public. A comprehensive Public Involvement Program is in place, and numerous meetings with groups and individuals have been held. A public information office has also been established to assist anyone Interested in getting additional information concerning both projects.

This document is an update on the MIS studies and reflects the current status of the East-West Multimodal Corridor and MIC projects.

# II. EAST-WEST MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR STUDY

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The streets and highways along State Road 836 from the Florida Turn[ike to Downtown Miami are congested throughout the day due to ever increasing traffic, limited capacity and it is the only "east-west expressway" in Miami that connects western Dade County with eastern Dade County. In addition, the recent revival of South Beach as an entertainment center, and the preservation and promotion of Miami Beach's historic district have caused sharp increases in traffic on area roadways, Activity is continuous throughout the day and into the night; allapproaches to Miami Beach are overwhelmed with traffic, including the connection of SR 836 with I-395, the MacArthur Causeway and the major streets of Miami Beach.

The East-West Multimodal Corridor Study Is addressIng thesecongestIon problems as well as others identified in the study through a combination of hIghway and transit improvements, The East-West project will link Florida International University to Miami International Airport, downtown Miami, the Seaport, South Beach, the Miami Beach historic district and the Miami Beach Convention Center (see Figure 1).

The study is well underway and a number of viable alternatives have been identified based on their technical merits and reduced impacts. Several of these alternatives are a result of an extensive public involvement effort, where alternative approaches from the airport through downtown Miami were proposed by tho public, These options, currently under study, are shown in Figure 1.

The alternatives under study include operational and safety improvements to 'SR 836 along many sections of the freeway; two high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes extending from the Turnpike on the west to LeJeune Road, from where the HOV lanes would continue north along the proposed freeway-to-freeway connector between SR 836 and SR 112 ta join the existing regional system of HOV facilities; and a rail transit line that extends from FIU on the west to the Miami Beach Convention Center in the east. Options proposed by the public Include new allgnments linking Miami International Airport and downtown Miaml vla the Civic Center and medical complex, Including tunnel options through downtown Miami. These options are being fully evaluated using the same criteria and process used to evaluate earlier Tier 2 alternatives. The results will, be presented to the public, and to the study's Technical and Policy Advisory Committees.

#### **EVALUATION OF ALTERNATIVES**

A three-tier approach was used to evaluate the alternatives. This approach depicted in Table 1, is designed to take a long list of alternatives through an iterative evaluation process which narrows the list down to a smaller, more manageable set of feasible alternatives. Criteria used to compare these alternatives were developed based on a set of quantifiable goals and objectives set for the study. The criteria used to evaluate the

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# III. MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER (MIC).

### INTRODUCTION

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Miami International Airport, the eighth largest airport in the country, is also one of the fastest growing airports in the United States. By 2010, the number of passengers travelling through MIA is expected to double from 26.5 million to 55.2 million. The MIC is located just east of the airport, thereby facilitating the accommodation of selected landside function. (see Figure 1.)

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Ih Summer 1993, six federal agencies, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Maritime Administration and the United States Coast Guard signed a Memorandum of Understanding with FDOT to coordinate each agency's role and responsibilities in implementing actions related to tho MIC,

FDOT has commissioned the firm of ICF Kaiser Engineers, Inc. to undertake tho study, which is currently scheduled to be completed in early 1996. This study will provide FDOT with a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and ultimately a locally preferred alternative, to he followed by Preliminary Engineering and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FFIS).

The design objectives for the MIC project are:

- To enhance mobility In Dade County by providing safe and efficient transfer of transit passengers between major regional transportation modes:
- To encourage the use of regional transit modes as alternatives to the private automobile;
- To accommodate selected MIA landside terminal functions;
- To improve access to Miami International Airport;
- To minimize impacts to the community (such as Grapeland Hoights, Molrooso Golf Course, Grapeland Heights Park and Tamiami Canal);
- To supplement public revenues by setting the stage for joint development opportunities;

- To improve visitor safety and security:
- To enhance the area by serving as a community focal point; and
  - To improve Airport/Seaport connectivity.

A key component to the success of this project is the coordination with local, state and federal agencies, and most importantly the public. A comprehensive Public Involvement Program is in place, and numerous meetings with groups arid individuals have been held, in addition, a public information office has been established to assist anyone interested in getting additional information concerning the projects.

Two oversight committees, the Technical Steering Committee and the Policy Steering Committee, were established to provide guidance and direction to the MIC and East-West Multimodal Corridor studies. Representation on these committees include:

- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA);
- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA):
- Unitod States Coast Guard (USCG):
- Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT);
- Dade County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO):
- Dade County Aviation Department (DCAD):
- Metro-Dade Transit Agency (MDTA);
- Trl-County Commuter Rail Authority; and
- The Port of Miami.

This document is an update of the MIC project, and reflects the current status of the Environmental and Engineering efforts.

# Miami International Airport

1994 Facts-at-a-Glance

Metro-Dade Airports:

Miami International Airport (MIA)

Opa-locka Airport

Kendall-Tamlaml Executive Airport Homestead General Aviation Airport

Opa-locka West Airport

Dade-Collier Training end Transition Airport

**Economic Impact:** 

Airport impact on tourism cruise, international banking, trade & commerce is \$12 Billion annually in the Dade County area. 176,000 direct/indirect jobs in South Florida.

MIA Rankings

1st in the U.S. - International Freight 2nd In the U.S. - International Passengers

5th In the world - Total Freight
7th In the U.S. - Total Passengers
10th In the world - Total passengers

Miami International Airport

**Land area**: 3,230 acres

**Run ways:** 9R/27L 13,000'

9L/27R 10.500 12/30 8,366'

**Personnel:** Aviation Dept.; 1,546

Other: 30,600 Total 32,346

**Hotel:** Miami International Airport Hotel

-230 rooms

**Operations:** 557,880 (take-offs/landlngs)

1,528 (average per day)

Number of gates: 110 Common Scheduled air carriers: apprax. 100 Non-scheduled air carriers: approx. 50 Destinations 260 Cities/5 Continents

**Passengers:** 302 Million (up 6.4% from 93) Weekday Dally Average: 75.000 passengers Weekend Dally Average: 100,000 passengers

Freight: 1,117,000 U.S. tons Intl.

273,000 U.S. tons Domestic

1,390,000 U.S. tons

**Parking:** 4 parking **garages** provide

6,000 reg/short term and handicapped spaces.

Concessions: 18 Newsstands 14 Duty free shops 2 Pharmacies 32 Fast food restaurants 1% Cocktail bars

1 Full service restaurant 2 Shoe shine stands

Maintenance FAA repair stations provide full

service up to D checks on the full range of airline aircraft. Specialty companies provide major ovorhrul of landing gears, jetengines installation of Stage Three hush-kits and cargo doors,

*training:* Several renowned firms offer

classroom and flight simulator training. Airbus Industrie's Miami operation is the company's second largest training center in the world after the Toulouse,

France, facility.

Airport Improvements

Miami International Airport has embarked on an expansion and redevelopment program estimated at U.S. \$2.7 Billion. The program encompasses the following areas:

Terminal will grow significantly in size: number of gates will increase to nearly 140; three new passenger concourses will be built: upgrade baggage handling systems and double retail space.

Cargo: A U.S. \$500 million project now underway will Include: 15 new cargo buildings; increase airline cargo warehouse space from 1 .4 million Sq. Ft. to over 3.5 million Sq. Ft.; increase cargo aircraft parking position to 65 DC-10F/B747F; provide new roadway system from cargo the areas to major highways.

**Airfield**, Proceeding with environmental Impact study leading to development of a fourth runway on the north side of MIA; the 8,600-foot northern runway will accommodate commuter planer and B-727s; upgrade of the current airfield runway/taxiway system to increase capacity.

**Landside** Improvements include new parking lots, widened roads and new access ramps, Park 7, at a cost of \$27 million will.

cost of \$27 mllllon, will be completed in the fall of 1996 and provide 16,500 additional spaces



# Metro-Dade Aviation Department 1994 Cargo - Facts-at-a-Glance

### Miami International Airport (MIA)

Miami International Airport Is the number one airport In the U.S. for International freight, and number five In the world for total freight.

In 1894. more than 1.1 million tons of International freight were handled, surpassing all ether airports in the United States. International freight rose more than 11% during 1994, while total freight climbed nearly 14% to 1.39 million tons.

MIA's total freight volume Is projected to reach 1.6 million tons during 1995.

#### Air Service:

Miami international Airport has more scheduled non-stop cargo flights to Latin America and tho Caribbean than Orlando. Houston. New Orleans, Atlanta, Tampa, and New York's Kennedy airports combined.

MIA lo currently served by approximately 100 scheduled and 40 non-scheduled airlines more then eny other airport In tho U.S.

200 cities on five continents are served by MIA, with 1,300 arrivals and departures each day.

## Growth:

The growth rate in international cargo between MIA and Latin America has been averaging about 15 percent a year, representing a doubling in volume every five or six years.

Miami's trade is primarily with the Caribbean and Latin American countries. The majority of MIA's international Import cargo comprises perishable products including flowers, fruits, vegetables, seafood, plus some assembled clothing. MIA's export cargo comprises computers and peripherals, machinery, medical equipment, telecommunications equipment, agricultural machinery, apparel articles and aircraft park.

Transatlantic cargo is carried in the bellies of the more than 80 weekly We-body passenger aircraft leaving for Europe, or on the main-deck of the B747 freighters on the Amsterdam, Frankfurt and Paris routes.

### Economic Impact:

The airport's significant galns In the world's alr cargo industry have provided widespread economic benefit forMiami. MIA is also the base for an excellent support Infrastructure for cargo airlines: and more than 400 freight forwarders and customs brokers are located around the airport, Their business is expedited by a unique 'one-stop" Cargo Clearance Center, housing approximately 400 staff of the U.S. Customs Service, Department of Agriculture, Fish and Wildlife Service, and Food end Drug Administration, providing a 24-hour cargo clearance operation .Other on-airport businesses include aircraft leasing; crew training facilities; aircraft maintenance, specializing in engines landing gears, Stage Three "hush - kit" conversion; and cargodoor convonion companies

## Cargo Expancion:

The 500-million cargo development program now underway will include: 15 new cargo buildings, increase in airline cargo warehouse space from 1.4 million Sq. Ft. to over 3.5 million Sq. Ft,; provide 65 DC-I OF/B747 positions and provide a new roadway system from the cargo areas to other major highways around the airport.

Phase 1 - Completed		846,000 Sq Ft
Bldg	700 = Fine air Advance Cargo	118,800 Sq Ft 59,400 " " 59,400 "
Bldg.	701 Aeromar British Airways Avensa Air Canada Continental Advance cargo	113,400 Sq Ft 21,800 " 21,600 "" 21,600 "" 10,800 "" 21,600 " " 16,200 ""
Bldg.	702 AeroMexPress (Agents for AeroMexico. AeroPeru, Aero Costa R Northwest Miami Aircraft Support Advance Cargo	

# Miami International Airport

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1995 Projections

Passengers:

18 Million Domestic 14 Million Intermational

Total

32 Million

Freight:

1,300,000 U.S. Tons Intl. <u>300.0</u>00 U.S. Tons Domestic

**Total** 

1,600,000 U.S. Tons

Operations:

565,000 takeoffs and landings

2000 Projections

Passengers:

20 Million Domestic 20 Million International

**40 Total Million** 

Freight:

1,800,000 U.S. Tons Intl.

400,000 U.S. Tons Domestic 2,200,000 U.S. Tone

Total

Operations;

600,000 take-offs and landings

The Miami international European Office was opened in Madrid, Spain In November 1994. The goal is to further strengthen Western European travel and trade to Dade, and throught Dade to the Latin American/Caribbean Region.

The first major air link between Miami and Asia will be underway In March 1995 when China airlines begins thrice-weekly cargo flights between Taipei, Taiwan and Miami.

A 24-hour International Press Center was opened In March 1995 for use by foreign Journalists.