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Changi Airport launches inaugural flight to space this Christmas!

SINGAPORE, 15 November 2012 – This Christmas, visit Changi Airport to witness the take-off of its inaugural flight to a new destination further and more exciting than ever – outer space! Starting 16 November, a massive space shuttle, in the form of a gigantic *Super Red Bird* from *Angry Birds Space*, takes centre stage at the Terminal 3 Departure Hall, taking off daily [\[1\]](#) with a riveting display of interactive lighting and sound effects.

Measuring 13 metres wide and three storeys high, this giant spacecraft is the centrepiece of Changi Airport's festive celebrations this year-end season. Until 6 January 2013, Changi Airport's terminals will be fully decked out in cheerful space-inspired festive decorations, with exciting activities galore – all based on the *Angry Birds Space* theme, including an indoor activity lounge for children, handicraft workshops, plush toy giveaways, music performances, and other delightful treats. Together, these promise a magical out-of-this world experience for travellers and airport visitors.

Located just before Terminal 3's Departure Immigration (near Check-in Row 6), the vibrant giant space shuttle centrepiece is surrounded by colourful Christmas ornaments adorning its launch pad, making for captivating photo opportunities. At the event area, visitors can pose for photos with special *Angry Birds Space* augmented reality markers and get their photos snapped by professional event photographers, for the creation of their own animated *Angry Birds* e-greeting Christmas card.

The fun continues inside the space shuttle. Upon entering the spacecraft, a vivid display of space imagery creates the magical experience of piloting a spaceship in the video world of *Angry Birds Space*, the latest version of the popular *Angry Birds* game that has taken the world by storm. As the storyline of the game goes, evil space pigs have stolen the Angry Birds' eggs and the birds are out on a rescue mission to get back their eggs from outer space.

Exciting activities galore for families

As a year-end holiday special just for children, the area at Terminal 3's Departure Check-in Row 11 has been transformed into an *Angry Birds Space* Lounge^[2] offering various fun and exciting play activities for kids aged three to 12 years old. These include 'Space Adventure' – a space-themed indoor playground with fun obstacles, slides and a gigantic ball pit; 'Out to Space' – featuring trampolines on a planet, where kids can experience the thrill of jumping up and down space surfaces; 'Bouncy Balls' - a toddler activity area with big bouncy balls and inflatable catapults; and 'Cool Zone' - a multimedia station, where die-hard fans can enjoy the popular *Angry Birds Space* game on large touch-screen monitors.

What's more, visitors are not likely to leave Changi Airport empty-handed this festive season. Over at Terminal 3's Basement 2, children and adults alike can participate in fun handicraft workshops^[3] to produce creative memorabilia of *Angry Birds Space* characters - such as an *Angry Birds Space* 3-D model, a clock and tote bag - which they can bring home as a souvenir of their visit to Changi.

Angry Birds Space plush toys for collection

Back by popular demand, *Angry Birds* collectible plush toys make a much-anticipated return this festive season. A full set of all seven *Angry Birds Space* characters are available for collection, each toy redeemable with a minimum spend of S\$60 in Changi Airport's public areas (S\$120 in supermarkets), and S\$150 in the transit areas. One new character^[4] will be launched for redemption at the public areas each week.

Positively surprising moments

To add to the festive atmosphere at Changi Airport, travellers arriving into Singapore can look forward to some festive serendipity in the form of surprising delightful treats. For instance, arriving passengers may be pleasantly surprised to be greeted with a colourful assortment of candies placed in an uncovered luggage bag positioned near the baggage claim belts in the Arrival Halls.

Leading up to Christmas Day, performers will belt out familiar Christmas

tunes as they roam the terminals on a buggy dressed up like a sleigh, spreading festive cheer to passengers and airport visitors. These musical performances will be available during the weekend of 14-16 December and from 21 to 25 December 2012.

For more information on the 2012 Christmas celebrations at Changi Airport, please visit www.changiairport.com/christmas.

[1] Displays are held at the hour from 6am to 8am and 5pm to 11pm daily.

[2] Opens daily from noon to 10pm and each child is allowed a maximum playing time of 30 minutes. For a single entry into the lounge, simply present any single-day receipt with a minimum spend of \$20 or \$15 for Changi Rewards members.

[3] Available daily from noon to 10pm. For a single entry into one of the workshops, simply present up to two receipts combined with a minimum spend of \$60 or \$40 for Changi Rewards members.

[4] Shoppers in the transit areas can choose to redeem any of the seven characters, while stocks last.

About Changi Airport Group

Changi Airport Group (Singapore) Pte Ltd (CAG) (www.changiairportgroup.com) was formed on 16 June 2009 and the corporatisation of Singapore Changi Airport followed on 1 July 2009. As the company managing Changi Airport, CAG undertakes key functions focusing on airport operations and management, air hub development, commercial activities and airport emergency services. Through its subsidiary Changi Airports International, the Group invests in and manages foreign airports to spread the success of Changi Airport internationally.

Changi Airport (www.changiairport.com) is the world's most awarded airport having garnered more than 400 accolades since it opened in 1981. To serve passengers and visitors from the world over, there are 330 retail stores and 120 F&B outlets across the airport's three terminals. Changi handled more than 46 million passenger movements in 2011, an annual record. Today, it serves some 100 airlines flying to over 220 cities in about 60 countries and territories

worldwide. A flight takes off or lands at Changi roughly once every 100 seconds.