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**SIA NAMED CARIBBEAN'S LEADING AIRPORT FOR 15TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR AT  
WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS**

Montego Bay, Jamaica, 28 August 2023// Sangster International Airport (SIA), Jamaica's leading gateway to the world operated by MBJ Airports Limited (MBJ), was again named the Caribbean's Leading Airport at the World Travel Awards (WTA) hosted at Sandals Grande St. Lucian, St. Lucia on Saturday, 26 August 2023.

SIA emerged as the winner from a pool of 13 Caribbean competitors nominated for the prestigious award. The accolade was first bestowed on SIA in 2005, again in 2009 and each year to date

"We are honored to be named the Caribbean's Leading Airport for the 15th consecutive year. This award is a testament to the dedication and tireless efforts of our entire airport team, and spans all agencies and team members who work diligently to ensure consistently high standards and service excellence. We remain steadfast in our efforts to transform Sangster International Airport to ensure a passenger-centric, sustainable, efficient and safe airport operation," commented Shane Munroe, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MBJ Airports Limited.

As MBJ celebrates this win for the airport, it is also celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary operating the Sangster International Airport. Over the 20 years, MBJ has made considerable investment in the development and transformation of the airport to improve the overall infrastructure and passenger experience.

The VIP evening held at the Sandals Grande St. Lucian was attended by travel industry leaders from across the Caribbean and The Americas, in acknowledgement of organisations spearheading the growth of the region's travel and tourism sector.

Graham Cooke, Founder, World Travel Awards, says: "World Travel Awards has maintained its position as the industry leader for the past 30 years, consistently proving its value as the global benchmark for recognising excellence in travel and tourism."

MBJ extends congratulations to the many winners of awards in the Jamaican travel and tourism industry, some of which operate at SIA. Munroe added, "Our gratitude extends to our passengers, partners, stakeholders, and the entire community. Together, we will continue to elevate the travel experience and contribute to the growth and advancement of Jamaica's Travel industry."



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*Mr. Shane Munroe, CEO MBJ Airports Limited accepts award on behalf of Sangster International Airport for being named Caribbean's Leading Airport 2023 from Graham E. Cooke, Founder, World Travel Awards*

**About Sangster International Airport:**

Sangster International Airport (IATA: MBJ, ICAO: MKJS) is an international airport located 3 mi (4.8 km) east of Montego Bay, Jamaica. The airport is capable of handling nine million passengers per year. It serves as the most popular airport for tourists visiting the north coast of Jamaica. The airport is named after former Jamaican Prime Minister Sir Donald Sangster.

**About MBJ Airports Limited:**

MBJ Airports Limited, the operator of Sangster International Airport, connects Jamaica to more than 60 international destinations. A record 4.7m passengers used the airport in 2019. MBJ operates SIA under a 30-year concession awarded in 2003 and the airport provides employment to more than 7,500 persons. SIA has been named the Caribbean's Leading Airport by World Travel Awards for 14 years.

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