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Aircastle Announces Third Quarter 2022 Results, Strong Gains on Sales

Highlights for the Three Months Ended November 30, 2022

- Total revenues of \$258 million
- Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾ of \$240 million
- Net income of \$50 million
- Acquired seven narrow-body aircraft for \$298 million, six of which were new technology aircraft
- Sold eight aircraft and other flight equipment, including two 747 Freighters and one 777, for proceeds of \$163 million and a gain on sale of \$53 million
- \$24 million of Russia-related letters of credit received
- 27% increase in year-to-date cash flows from operations

Liquidity

- Entered into a new \$450 million secured aircraft financing facility.
- Total liquidity as of January 6, 2023 of \$2.3 billion includes \$1.7 billion of undrawn facilities, \$0.4 billion of projected adjusted operating cash flows through January 1, 2024, \$0.1 billion of contracted asset sales, and \$0.1 billion of unrestricted cash
- 209 unencumbered aircraft with a net book value of \$5.5 billion

⁽¹⁾ Refer to the selected financial information accompanying this press release for a reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP numbers.

Mike Inglese, Aircastle's Chief Executive Officer, commented, "Sustained demand for travel has been progressing into 2023 with a generally profitable outlook as airlines deftly manage through economic disruptions. In the third quarter, Aircastle continued our trading momentum with seven narrow-body acquisitions, six of which further grow our fleet of in-demand, new technology aircraft. On the financing front, we bolstered our conservative debt profile with a \$450 million secured aircraft financing facility."

Mr. Inglese concluded, "Our strategic new acquisitions and profitable sales this quarter are strong indications that aircraft leasing remains resilient and robust. While funding challenges are felt across the sector, we remain optimistic because of our favorable credit rating, along with the opportunities afforded by our unique ownership arrangement with the Marubeni Corporation and Mizuho Leasing. With Aircastle's deep team of solutions-focused aviation experts, we look forward to disciplined future growth."

Aviation Assets

As of November 30, 2022, Aircastle owned 241 aircraft and other flight equipment having a net book value of \$6.6 billion. We also manage nine aircraft with a net book value of \$289 million on behalf of our joint venture with Mizuho Leasing.

Owned Aircraft	As of November 30, 2022 ⁽¹⁾	Nov	As of vember 30, 2021
Net Book Value of Flight Equipment (\$ mils.)	\$ 6,571	\$	6,734
Net Book Value of Unencumbered Flight Equipment (\$ mils.)	\$ 5,480	\$	5,619
Number of Aircraft ⁽¹⁾	241		255
Number of Unencumbered Aircraft	209		223
Number of Lessees	76		79
Number of Countries	46		43
Weighted Average Fleet Age (Years) ⁽²⁾	10.0		10.6
Weighted Average Remaining Lease Term (Years)(2)	5.1		4.8
Weighted Average Fleet Utilization for the three months ended ⁽³⁾	94.4 %		94.0 %
Weighted Average Fleet Utilization for the nine months ended ⁽³⁾	94.6 %		93.7 %
Managed Aircraft on behalf of Joint Ventures			
Net Book Value of Flight Equipment (\$ mils.)	\$ 289	\$	302
Number of Aircraft	9		9

⁽¹⁾ Excludes nine aircraft that remain in Russia with zero net book value – see Note 3 in the Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

Conference Call

In connection with this press release, management will host a conference call on Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. Eastern Time. All interested parties are welcome to participate on the live call. The conference call can be accessed by dialing (877) 870-4263 (from within the U.S. and Canada) or (412) 317-0790 (outside the U.S. and Canada) ten minutes prior to the scheduled start. Please reference our company name "Aircastle" when prompted by the operator.

⁽²⁾ Weighted by net book value (flight equipment held for lease and net investment in direct financing and sales-type leases, or "Net Book Value").

⁽³⁾ Aircraft on-lease days as a percent of total days in period weighted by Net Book Value.

A simultaneous webcast of the conference call will be available to the public on a listen-only basis at www.aircastle.com. Please allow extra time prior to the call to visit the site and download the necessary software required to listen to the internet broadcast.

For those who are not available to listen to the live call, a replay will be available on Aircastle's website shortly after the live call.

About Aircastle Limited

Aircastle Limited acquires, leases and sells commercial jet aircraft to airlines throughout the world. As of November 30, 2022, Aircastle owned and managed on behalf of its joint ventures 250 aircraft leased to 76 customers located in 46 countries.

Safe Harbor

All statements in this press release, other than characterizations of historical fact, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not necessarily limited to, statements relating to our proposed public offering of notes and our ability to acquire, sell, lease or finance aircraft, raise capital, pay dividends, and increase revenues, earnings, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and the global aviation industry and aircraft leasing sector. Words such as "anticipates," "expects," "intends," "plans," "projects," "believes," "may," "will," "would," "could," "should," "seeks," "estimates" and variations on these words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are based on our historical performance and that of our subsidiaries and on our current plans, estimates and expectations and are subject to a number of factors that could lead to actual results materially different from those described in the forward-looking statements; Aircastle can give no assurance that its expectations will be attained. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements which are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated as of the date of this press release. These risks or uncertainties include, but are not limited to, those described from time to time in Aircastle's filings with the SEC and previously disclosed under "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of Aircastle's most recent Form 10-K and any subsequent filings with the SEC. In addition, new risks and uncertainties emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for Aircastle to predict or assess the impact of every factor that may cause its actual results to differ from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release. Aircastle expressly disclaims any obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statement to reflect future events or circumstances.

Aircastle Limited and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets (Dollars in thousands, except share data)

	N	ovember 30, 2022	F	February 28, 2022		
	(Unaudited)				
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	208,208	\$	167,891		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		_		2,791		
Accounts receivable		39,087		63,666		
Flight equipment held for lease, net		6,445,141		6,313,950		
Net investment in leases, net		125,504		150,325		
Unconsolidated equity method investment		40,097		38,317		
Other assets		328,978		356,326		
Total assets	\$	7,187,015	\$	7,093,266		
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY						
LIABILITIES						
Borrowings from secured financings, net	\$	656,032	\$	684,039		
Borrowings from unsecured financings, net		3,842,816		3,835,841		
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities		208,273		177,424		
Lease rentals received in advance		52,688		37,361		
Security deposits		64,856		69,189		
Maintenance payments		494,058		459,713		
Total liabilities		5,318,723		5,263,567		
Commitments and Contingencies						
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Preference shares, \$0.01 par value, 50,000,000 shares authorized, 400 (aggregate liquidation preference of \$400,000) shares issued and outstanding at November 30, 2022 and February 28, 2022		_		_		
Common shares, \$0.01 par value, 250,000,000 shares authorized, 14,048 shares issued and outstanding at November 30. 2022 and February 28. 2022		_		_		
Additional paid-in capital		1,878,774		1,878,774		
Accumulated deficit		(10,482)		(49,075		
Total shareholders' equity		1,868,292		1,829,699		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	7,187,015	\$	7,093,266		

Aircastle Limited and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss) and Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three Mon Novem					iths Ended		
	2022		2021	2022			2021	
Revenues:								
Lease rental revenue	\$ 142,336	\$	156,088	\$	432,988	\$	425,802	
Direct financing and sales-type lease revenue	2,087		2,724		6,950		8,377	
Amortization of lease premiums, discounts and incentives	(3,763)		(8,867)		(14,669)		(20,026)	
Maintenance revenue	56,574		33,510		103,787		81,204	
Total lease revenue	197,234		183,455		529,056		495,357	
Gain on sale of flight equipment	53,473		7,420		67,209		17,944	
Other revenue	6,809		605		10,394		1,641	
Total revenues	257,516		191,480		606,659		514,942	
Operating expenses:								
Depreciation	82,872		84,526		246,296		250,308	
Interest, net	50,757		50,515		151,638		163,965	
Selling, general and administrative	17,999		17,141		55,358		48,714	
Provision for credit losses	854		958		1,543		970	
Impairment of flight equipment	29,880		69,111		67,979		110,926	
Maintenance and other costs	3,783		8,660		17,010		24,275	
Total operating expenses	186,145		230,911		539,824		599,158	
Other income (expense):								
Loss on extinguishment of debt	_		_		(463)		(14,156)	
Other	1,201		63		3,273		57,682	
Total other income	1,201		63		2,810		43,526	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and								
earnings of unconsolidated equity method investment	72,572		(39,368)		69,645		(40,690)	
Income tax provision	23,071		23,504		22,332		22,877	
Earnings of unconsolidated equity method investment, net of tax	603	_	465		1,780		1,210	
Net income (loss)	\$ 50,104	\$	(62,407)	\$	49,093	\$	(62,357)	
Preference share dividends					(10,500)		(5,658)	
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$ 50,104	\$	(62,407)	\$	38,593	\$	(68,015)	
Total comprehensive income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$ 50,104	\$	(62,407)	\$	38,593	\$	(68,015)	

Aircastle Limited and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Nir	ne Months En	nded November		
		2022	V.	2021	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income (loss)	\$	49,093	\$	(62,357)	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash and restricted cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation		246,296		250,308	
Amortization of deferred financing costs		10,612		12,483	
Amortization of lease premiums, discounts and incentives		14,669		20,026	
Deferred income taxes		13,227		8,998	
Collections on net investment in leases		5,444		11,727	
Security deposits and maintenance payments included in earnings		(35,437)		(58,480)	
Gain on sale of flight equipment		(67,209)		(17,944)	
Loss on extinguishment of debt		463		14,156	
Impairment of flight equipment		67,979		110,926	
Provision for credit losses		1,543		970	
Other		(1,778)		(1,210)	
Changes in certain assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		11,368		4,059	
Other assets		2,223		(23,305)	
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities		8,947		7,205	
Lease rentals received in advance		16,091		(6,127)	
Net cash and restricted cash provided by operating activities		343,531		271,435	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Acquisition and improvement of flight equipment		(688,722)		(533,741)	
Proceeds from sale of flight equipment		334,164		127,584	
Aircraft purchase deposits and progress payments, net of returned deposits and aircraft sales deposits		7,765		(11,361)	
Other		1,500		(64)	
Net cash and restricted cash used in investing activities		(345,293)		(417,582)	
Cash flows from financing activities:		<u> </u>			
Net proceeds from preference share issuance				393,347	
Proceeds from secured and unsecured debt financings		139,800		_	
Repayments of secured and unsecured debt financings		(163,543)		(566,885)	
Debt extinguishment costs		(291)		(13,372)	
Deferred financing costs		(8,674)		(5,170)	
Security deposits and maintenance payments received		110,675		63,012	
Security deposits and maintenance payments returned		(17,679)		(20,696)	
Dividends paid		(21,000)		(5,658)	
Net cash and restricted cash provided by (used in) financing activities		39,288		(155,422)	
Net increase in cash and restricted cash		37,526		(301,569)	
Cash and restricted cash at beginning of period		170,682		580,598	
Cash and restricted cash at end of period	\$	208,208	\$	279,029	
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Aircastle Limited and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Measures EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation (Dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended November 30,				Nine Months Ended November 30,				
	2022		2021			2022		2021	
Net income (loss)	\$	50,104	\$	(62,407)	\$	49,093	\$	(62,357)	
Depreciation		82,872		84,526		246,296		250,308	
Amortization of lease premiums, discounts and incentives		3,763		8,867		14,669		20,026	
Interest, net		50,757		50,515		151,638		163,965	
Income tax provision		23,071		23,504		22,332		22,877	
EBITDA		210,567		105,005		484,028		394,819	
Adjustments:									
Impairment of flight equipment		29,880		69,111		67,979		110,926	
Loss on extinguishment of debt		_		_		463		14,156	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	240,447	\$	174,116	\$	552,470	\$	519,901	

We define EBITDA as income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes, interest expense, and depreciation and amortization. We use EBITDA to assess our consolidated financial and operating performance, and we believe this non-U.S. GAAP measure is helpful in identifying trends in our performance.

This measure provides an assessment of controllable expenses and affords management the ability to make decisions which are expected to facilitate meeting current financial goals, as well as achieving optimal financial performance. It provides an indicator for management to determine if adjustments to current spending decisions are needed.

EBITDA provides us with a measure of operating performance because it assists us in comparing our operating performance on a consistent basis as it removes the impact of our capital structure (primarily interest charges on our outstanding debt) and asset base (primarily depreciation and amortization) from our operating results. Accordingly, this metric measures our financial performance based on operational factors that management can impact in the short-term, namely the cost structure, or expenses, of the organization. EBITDA is one of the metrics used by senior management and the Board of Directors to review the consolidated financial performance of our business.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA (as defined above) further adjusted to give effect to adjustments required in calculating covenant ratios and compliance as that term is defined in the indenture governing our senior unsecured notes. Adjusted EBITDA is a material component of these covenants.