SHEIKH AHMED OFFICIALLY OPENS CARGO TERMINAL AT THE LOGISTICS DISTRICT IN DUBAI SOUTH

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Emirates SkyCargo's state-of-the-art **cargo terminal** at the Logistics District in Dubai South has been officially inaugurated **Sheikh Ahmed** bin Saeed Al Maktoum.

Named Emirates SkyCentral, the cargo facility is the home of Emirates SkyCargo’s fleet of 15 freighter aircraft, and was officially opened on the side lines of the Dubai Air Show. The event was attended by a number of dignitaries, including members of Dubai’s Executive Council, representatives from various local authorities, members of Emirates’ senior management, as well as local and international media.

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“The opening of Emirates SkyCentral is an important milestone for us, as it represents our vision for future growth and firmly establishes Emirates SkyCargo as the world’s leading air cargo carrier across all its operational areas. The space it currently occupies on the land allocated to us at Dubai South is part of a much bigger area, which we can develop over time to increase our cargo handling capacity to achieve our vision of 12 million tonnes annually by 2050, from the current 2.3 million tonnes,” said Nabil Sultan, emirates divisional senior vice president, cargo.

“This facility also features the best and latest of what the air cargo industry has to offer, and enables us to give our customers a world class, efficient and seamless service no matter what their requirements. It also further establishes Dubai as a leading global air cargo hub, which has the advantage of a strategic location in the centre of trade between East and West. It takes a lot of work to bring a facility such as this to reality, and I want to thank everyone for their support and commitment in making it happen, from the Government of Dubai and its various departments, to the contractors and staff of Emirates SkyCargo,” he added.

Mohsen Ahmed, vice president of logistics at Dubai South, said: “With the launch of the Emirates SkyCargo facility, Dubai South begins an exciting new chapter in its journey towards establishing Dubai’s excellence as a logistics hub. Dubai South offers the ideal connection point for sea and air cargo, which calls for rapid movement to the markets of the Middle East, Asia and Africa.”

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