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Currency Fluctuation Benefits Travelers to Europe

Strong Dollar Reflected in Reduced European Trip Rates

ATLANTA (May 24, 2010) - In the past couple of weeks, the dollar has gained strength quite substantially in comparison to the Euro - which is really good news for U.S. travelers who are considering a vacation later this summer or fall. In response to the much more favorable exchange rate, Austrian Airlines Vacation Center has recalculated all its combination air and land vacation packages to reflect the stronger dollar, and travelers who have waited with booking their European trip until now can save up to \$400.

Austrian Airlines Vacation Packages range from quick getaways, such as the Vienna City Steal (www.austrianair-vacations.com/vie3) including air and three nights hotel in Vienna, now starting at \$1,039 per person, double occupancy, to some pretty spectacular European vacations, such as:

* Imperial City Steal (5-star), (www.austrianair-vacations.com/ics5) including roundtrip air, economy class, plus three nights each in InterContinental Hotels in Prague, Vienna and Budapest plus rail transportation between the three cities, starting at \$2,599 (was \$2,759);

* Music A La Carte (4-star), (www.austrianair-vacations.com/alacarte) starting at \$3,769 (was \$4,059) including five (5) nights hotel accommodation in Vienna plus top category tickets to your choice of three (3) musical performances in Vienna's most prestigious venues (Musikverein, Konzerthaus, Vienna State Opera, and Theater an der Wien);

* New Year's Eve in Vienna (www.austrianair-vacations.com/vienewyr) @ \$4,999 (was \$5,399), including roundtrip air, economy class, on Austrian Airlines between New York (JFK) and Vienna, Austria, six (6) nights and daily breakfast at the deluxe Hotel Steigenberger Herrenhof, welcome reception and dinner excluding drinks in a local restaurant, with a talk by a member of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, sightseeing, airport transfers and three (3) performance tickets:

- NEW YEAR'S CONCERT PREVIEW by the Vienna Philharmonic at the Musikverein's "Goldener Saal" conducted by Franz Welser-Möst.
- BEETHOVEN'S NINTH SYMPHONY at the Vienna Konzerthaus by The Vienna Symphony
- DIE FLEDERMAUS at the Vienna State Opera.

These package prices are valid for travel between August 31 and October 31, 2010. For travel earlier in the summer, rates are higher. A variety of other vacation packages are offered for travel to Europe by Austrian Airlines Vacation Center (www.austrianair-vacations.com). Single supplements, upgrades, additional combinations and extensions are available upon request.

All packages must be paid in full within 7 days after reservations are confirmed, and no later than 14 days prior to departure. Once confirmed, the packages are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be changed. All packages will be booked on Austrian Airlines in economy class and are subject to schedule and space availability. The minimum stay is 3 nights or one Saturday overnight, and the maximum stay in Europe is 30 days. Package prices include fuel surcharges but do not include US Customs / INS / Aphis fees / International Transportation Tax / Passenger Facility Charges / Civil Aviation Security Fee / domestic and foreign Security and Airport Charges of approximately USD \$175 per passenger, depending on the itinerary. Additional taxes and fees may be collected by foreign governments. All taxes / fees / surcharges are subject to change and exchange rate fluctuations and may vary on the day of booking.

Further details may be found on www.austrianair.com or www.austrianair-vacations.com. For additional information or to make reservations, contact Austrian Airlines Vacation Center at (800) 790-4682, or via email: info@austrianair-vacations.com.

About IMTC: Austrian Airlines Vacation Center is a division of IMTC (International Marketing & Travel Concepts, Inc.) and specializes in individual vacation packages from the USA to European destinations on Austrian Air. IMTC was founded in 1992 by Bram Majtlis, president, and the privately-held company is headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. Other IMTC divisions include: IMTC/Pegasus, IMTC Concerts, Gold Concepts Public Relations and EdiTour.

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