



## **Allegiant Announces Withdrawal From Cuba Charter Programs**

LAS VEGAS, Aug 24, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Allegiant Travel Company announced today that its Allegiant Air subsidiary has chosen to exit the Cuban family charter programs that it currently flies for five separate charter program sponsors and has therefore recently exercised the 120-day notice periods to cancel the relevant contracts.

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Maurice J. Gallagher, Jr., Allegiant Travel Company CEO said, "While our Cuba flying has been and continues to be profitable, these programs are exposing the airline and its people to operational complexity inconsistent with our operating philosophy. Keeping things simple is a key attribute of our business model and since we are not short of profitable opportunities consistent with operational simplicity, we decided the sensible thing was to remain true to our proven operating philosophy and return our people and aircraft to such efforts."

Allegiant Air has a single aircraft dedicated to its Cuba programs and currently expects to return that aircraft into its scheduled service fleet later this year. Allegiant Air's charter planning team is working closely with the five Cuba program sponsors affected to ensure a smooth transition for all parties.

### About the Company

Las Vegas-based Allegiant Travel Company (Nasdaq: ALGT) focuses on flying travelers in small cities to world-class leisure destinations such as Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Orlando, Fla. and Tampa/St. Petersburg, Fla. Through its subsidiary, Allegiant Air, LLC, the Company operates a low-cost, high-efficiency, all-jet passenger airline offering air travel both on a stand-alone basis and bundled with hotel rooms, rental cars and other travel related services. ALGT/G

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For further information please visit the company's investor web site: <http://ir.allegiantair.com>

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