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1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

American Airlines, Inc.

/s/ Charles D. MarLett
Charles D. MarLett
Corporate Secretary

Dated: May 5, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

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| 99.1 | Press Release |
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Exhibit 99.1

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AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS APRIL TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas - American Airlines, the world's largest carrier, reported a record high April load factor of 74.9 percent - an increase of 4.4 points compared to last year. For the month, traffic increased 16.0 percent year over year, while capacity increased 9.1 percent.

International traffic recorded the strongest gains relative to last year with a March load factor improvement of 6.0 points to 73.0 percent. The higher load factor was achieved despite a 22.1 percent increase in capacity year over year. Traffic increases also outstripped capacity additions in domestic markets with a load factor of 75.8 percent - an improvement of 4.0 points compared to last year on a 4.1 percent capacity increase.

American boarded 7.7 million passengers in April.

Detailed traffic and capacity data are on the following pages:

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AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

| | April | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|---------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | CHANGE |
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 10,823,532 | 9,330,758 | 16.0 % |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 7,552,380 | 6,871,542 | 9.9 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 3,271,152 | 2,459,216 | 33.0 |
| ATLANTIC | 1,432,054 | 1,128,949 | 26.8 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 1,516,237 | 1,181,083 | 28.4 |
| PACIFIC | 322,861 | 149,184 | 116.4 |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 14,433,489 | 13,230,469 | 9.1 % |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 9,956,353 | 9,563,705 | 4.1 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 4,477,136 | 3,666,764 | 22.1 |
| ATLANTIC | 1,756,867 | 1,494,667 | 17.5 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 2,272,522 | 1,863,317 | 22.0 |
| PACIFIC | 447,747 | 308,780 | 45.0 |
| LOAD FACTOR | | | |
| SYSTEM | 74.9 % | 70.5 % | 4.4 Pts |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 75.8 | 71.8 | 4.0 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 73.0 | 67.0 | 6.0 |
| ATLANTIC | 81.5 | 75.5 | 6.0 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 66.7 | 63.3 | 3.4 |
| PACIFIC | 72.1 | 48.3 | 23.8 |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED | 7,730,608 | 7,109,233 | 8.7 % |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) | 181,619 | 163,395 | 11.2 % |

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| | April | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|--------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | CHANGE |
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 41,047,292 | 37,091,993 | 10.7 % |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 28,455,691 | 26,638,705 | 6.8 |

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| INTERNATIONAL | 12,591,601 | 10,453,288 | 20.5 |
| ATLANTIC | 4,992,690 | 4,308,297 | 15.9 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 6,359,480 | 5,229,091 | 21.6 |
| PACIFIC | 1,239,431 | 915,900 | 35.3 |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 56,946,388 | 53,398,785 | 6.6 % |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 39,436,924 | 38,314,989 | 2.9 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 17,509,464 | 15,083,796 | 16.1 |
| ATLANTIC | 6,550,642 | 6,003,585 | 9.1 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 9,336,796 | 7,664,550 | 21.8 |
| PACIFIC | 1,622,026 | 1,415,661 | 14.6 |
| LOAD FACTOR | | | |
| SYSTEM | 72.0 % | 69.4 % | 2.6 Pts |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 72.1 | 69.5 | 2.6 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 71.9 | 69.3 | 2.6 |
| ATLANTIC | 76.2 | 71.7 | 4.4 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 68.1 | 68.2 | (0.1) |
| PACIFIC | 76.4 | 64.6 | 11.7 |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED | 29,493,504 | 28,138,086 | 4.8 % |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) | 700,959 | 651,809 | 7.5 % |

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