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## Turkish Airlines US Flights Back to Normal

Turkish Airlines Media Relations Office announced that FAA removed the recent order of all airline carriers, regardless of country of registry, are prohibited from flying into the United States from Turkey either directly or via third country.

Accordingly, all scheduled Turkish Airlines flights to the US will resume starting as of 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016 with Turkish Airlines Istanbul – NYC flight at 06:45 am.

**Turkish Airlines Chairman of the Board and the Executive Committee Mr. İlker Aycı** stated that; “Earlier today I had stated that we saw no reason for the ban as all precautions were in line with the norms. Following our recent report and dense meetings, FAA removed the ban as expected.”

Following the illegal failed coup attempt in Turkey, on July 16<sup>th</sup> 2016 at noon hours FAA had issued a ban of “*all airline carriers, regardless of country of registry, are prohibited from flying into the United States from Turkey either directly or via third country.*”

### **Turkish Airlines, Inc. Media Relations**

#### **About Turkish Airlines:**

Established in 1933 with a fleet of five aircraft, Star Alliance member Turkish Airlines is a 4-star airline today with a fleet of 331 (passenger and cargo) aircraft flying to 290 destinations worldwide with 241 international and 49 domestic. According to the 2016 Skytrax survey, Turkish Airlines was chosen as “**Europe’s Best Airline**” for the sixth and “**Best Airline in Southern Europe**” for the eighth consecutive time. Having won in 2010 the world’s “**Best Economy Catering Service**”, in 2013 and also in 2014 the world’s “**Best Business Catering Service**”, and “**Best Business Class Lounge Dining**”, “**Best Business Airline Lounge**” awards in last year’s survey, Turkish Airlines was awarded again the world’s “**Best Business Class Dining Lounge**” and “**Best Business Class On-Board Catering**” prizes in this year’s survey. More information about Turkish Airlines can be found on its official website [www.turkishairlines.com](http://www.turkishairlines.com) or its social media accounts on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Youtube](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#).

#### **About Star Alliance:**

The Star Alliance network was established in 1997 as the first truly global airline alliance to offer worldwide reach, recognition and seamless service to the international traveller. Its

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acceptance by the market has been recognized by numerous awards, including the Air Transport World Market Leadership Award and Best Airline Alliance by both Business Traveller Magazine and Skytrax. The member airlines are: Adria Airways, Aegean Airlines, Air Canada, Air China, Air India, Air New Zealand, ANA, Asiana Airlines, Austrian, Avianca, Avianca Brazil, Brussels Airlines, Copa Airlines, Croatia Airlines, EGYPTAIR, Ethiopian Airlines, EVA Air, LOT Polish Airlines, Lufthansa, Scandinavian Airlines, Shenzhen Airlines, Singapore Airlines, South African Airways, SWISS, TAP Portugal, Turkish Airlines, THAI and United. Overall, the Star Alliance network currently offers more than 18,500 daily flights to 1,330 airports in 192 countries.

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