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Maldives Welcomes the First Visitor of 2018

With the celebratory well wishes of a New Year, Maldives warmly welcomes the first visitor of 2018. At a media event held at Velana International Airport this morning, the first visitor Ms. Georgina Holbrook, British nationality who arrived with her family on FlyDubai flight number FZ559 was welcomed by the officials of Maldives Marketing and Public Relations Corporation (MMPRC), together with the Ministry of Tourism, Maldives Airports Company (MACL) and representatives of Maldives Tourism industry.

On this day, Maldives opens up a fresh chapter of new goals and accomplishments. Over the previous years several events have been concluded successfully which included welcoming the first visitor, 500K visitor the 750K visitor and One millionth visitor.

The media event started with the stamping of the first visitor by the Maldives Immigration. After which Ms. Georgina Holbrook was escorted to the VIP lounge by the staff of MMPRC where her family was welcomed by Mr. Haris Mohamed, Acting Managing Director of MMPRC by awarding her with congratulatory certificate and a special gift representing the traditional Maldivian culture and tourism. Furthermore, she was awarded with a complimentary holiday package for 7 nights including internal transfers, sponsored by Furaveri Island Resort which was presented by Mr. Hussain Hilmy, Chief Financial Officer of Furaveri Island Resort.

British market has been one of the topmost markets to Maldives over the years. Until November 94,258 tourists arrived from the UK which is a growth of 1.1 percent compared to the same period last year. In 2017, 1,389,548 tourists arrived in the Maldives which is a growth of 8.04 percent compared to 2016.

MMPRC wishes the first visitor and all the visitors on this day a very Happy New Year.

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