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SWISSAIR WINTER TIMETABLE 1948/49.

The winter timetable, which enters into force on 30th October, shows a few points of interest. Swissair, for example, is opening a new line to England on 11th December. Twice weekly, on Wednesdays and Saturdays, it will be possible to fly from Zurich to Manchester in less than 4 hours; the return flights take place on Thursdays and Sundays. The aim of this new line is to join the two great business centres, Zurich and Manchester, by air. On the other hand, the public will be given the opportunity to fly from the Midlands and Northern England to the Swiss winter-sports resorts within a few hours by using Swissair planes.

A further new event must be mentioned, that is, the operation of DC-4 planes on the Geneva-Madrid-Lisbon line. The Geneva-Zurich sector will not be flown during the winter months. The Geneva-Madrid-Lisbon line will be operated twice weekly; southbound Tuesdays and Fridays, returning Wednesdays and Saturdays.

A weekly service on the Switzerland—Egypt route is intended, starting from Zurich-Kloten and Geneva-Cointrin alternately. Every Saturday a plane will leave either from Zurich at 21.00 hours, or from Geneva at 21.30 hough, and will land in Cairo at 07.30 already the next morning. Landing at Athens is foreseen if necessary, i.e. if passengers are reported for that point.

It should also be mentioned that all civil air traffic will be transferred from Dubendorf to Kloten on 17th November. Dubendorf airfield will be reserved for military aircraft after that date. The air connections between Switzerland and foreign countries during winter 1948/49 are as follows:—

Basle-Mulhouse: London, daily (SWISSAIR); Paris, 3 times weekly (AIR FRANCE); Brussels, 3 times weekly (SABENA); Amsterdam, 3 times weekly (KLM); Marseilles, 3 times weekly (AIR FRANCE); Mail and freight planes to London: 3 times weekly; to Amsterdam: 5 times weekly. As the Zurich-Basle-London line is no longer operated, there is no air connection between Zurich and Basle.

Geneva-Cointrin: London, twice daily (SWISSAIR and BEA); Paris, twice daily (SWISSAIR and AIR FRANCE); Brussels, weekdays (SABENA); Amsterdam, 5 times weekly (KLM); Copenhagen and

Scandinavia via Amsterdam, twice weekly (SAS); Copenhagen and Scandinavia via Stuttgart and Hamburg, twice weekly (SAS); Stockholm, via Copenhagen, twice weekly (SAS); Barcelona, twice weekly (SWISSAIR); Lisbon, via Barcelona and Madrid, 3 times weekly (IBERIA); Lisbon, via Madrid, twice weekly (SWISSAIR), twice weekly (KLM); Tangiers, via Barcelona and Madrid, 3 times weekly (IBERIA); Istanbul, via Athens, once weekly (SWISSAIR); Cairo, once fortnightly (SWISSAIR); Johannesburg, via Tunis, Kano, Leopoldville (SWISSAIR) still indefinite; Rome, via Nice twice weekly (ALITALIA); Tunis, via Rome, twice weekly (KLM); Marseilles, once weekly (SAS); Nice, once weekly (SAS); Istanbul, via Rome, Athens, once weekly (SAS); Teheran, via Rome, once weekly (SAS); Montevideo, via Lisbon, Dakar, Recife, Rio de Janeiro, once weekly (KLM); Buenos Aires, via Lisbon, Dakar, Recife, Rio de Janeiro and Montevideo, twice weekly (SAS); Zurich, twice weekly (SWISSAIR).

Zurich-Kloten: London, twice daily (SWISSAIR and BEA). From 12th December this line will be strengthened. Swissair will fly to London daily with a DC-4 aircraft and 4 times weekly with a DC-3. From 17th December, BEA will operate flights to London twice daily. Manchester, twice weekly (SWISSAIR); Paris, daily (SWISSAIR); Brussels, 4 times weekly (SWISSAIR); and 3 times weekly (SABENA); Amsterdam, twice daily (SWISSAIR and KLM); Stockholm, via Copenhagen, 3 times weekly (SWISSAIR), daily (SAS); Oslo, via Stuttgart, Hamburg, Copenhagen, Gothenburg, daily (SAS); Prague, 3 times weekly (from 1st January, 1949, 4 times weekly) (SWISSAIR), 4 times weekly (from 1st January, 1949, 3 times weekly) (CSA); Warsaw, via Prague, once weekly (SWISSAIR); Barcelona, via Geneva, twice weekly (SWISSAIR); Cairo, once fortnightly (SWISSAIR); Nice, 4 times weekly (CSA). Freight plane to London, via Basle, 3 times weekly.

TWA operate a number of connecting flights to North America and the Near and Far East, from Geneva as well as from Zurich-Kloten. We will issue detailed information regarding the different possibilities of travelling as soon as the timetable has been published.

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