Etihad re-opens global network

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Etihad has announced plans to operate 58 destinations from Abu Dhabi International (AUH) this summer following the relaxation of travel restrictions in the United Arab Emirates.

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The network rebuild will be supported by the new the Etihad Wellness sanitization and safety program, which includes "wellness ambassadors" trained to provide information to passengers, which the airline claims is an industry first.

Etihad Aviation Group's group CEO Tony Douglas called the relaxation of restrictions an "important first step and a great development for Abu Dhabi."

"While we have continued to operate a schedule of special passenger, cargo and humanitarian flights over the last few months, the priority is now to build the network back up on markets that have opened up, and to provide a secure and hygienic flying environment across the entire guest journey.

"Over the last few months, we have seized every opportunity to improve our processes, review our product offering, and to undertake the biggest fleet maintenance program in our history."

Etihad's resumed services include:

North America: Chicago (ORD), New York (JFK), Toronto (YYR), Washington (IAD)

Europe: Amsterdam (AMS), Athens (ATH), Barcelona (BCN), Belgrade (BEG), Brussels (BRU), Dublin (DUB), Dusseldorf (DUS), Frankfurt (FRA), Geneva (GVA), Istanbul (IST), London Heathrow (LHR), Madrid (MAD), Manchester (MAN), Milan (MXP), Moscow (SVO), Munich (MUC), Paris Charles de Gaulle (CDG), Rome (FCO), Zurich (ZRH)

Middle East & Africa: Amman (AMM), Bahrain (BAH), Beirut (BEY), Cairo (CAI), Casablanca (CAS), Kuwait (KWI), Muscat (MCT), Rabat (RBA), Riyadh (RUH), Seychelles (SEZ)

Asia: Ahmedabad (AMD), Baku (BAK), Bangkok (BKK), Bengaluru (BLR), Chennai (MAA), Colombo (CMB), Delhi (DEL), Hyderabad (HYD), Islamabad (ISB), Jakarta (JKT), Karachi (KHI), Kochi (COK), Kolkata (CCU), Kozhikode (CCJ), Kuala Lumpur (KUL), Lahore (LHE), Male (MLE), Manila (MNL), Mumbai (BOM), Seoul (ICN), Singapore (SIN), Thiruvananthapuram (TRV), Tokyo (NRT)

Australasia: Melbourne (MEL), Sydney (SYD)

