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Arrival of second new aircraft- P2-ATV "Vanimo"

PNG Air Welcomes New ATR 72-600 'Vanimo' Aircraft, Expanding Domestic Connectivity

PNG Air today celebrated the arrival of its newest ATR 72-600 aircraft—named "Vanimo"—marking the second of four new aircraft scheduled to join the fleet before the end of 2025. The aircraft, leased from ACIA Aero Leasing, represents a significant milestone in PNG Air's ongoing expansion strategy and its commitment to strengthening essential air services across Papua New Guinea.

Configured with 70 seats, the ATR 72-600 brings proven efficiency, short-runway performance, and cost-effective operations—qualities that make it the ideal aircraft for reliably connecting PNG's remote and regional communities.

The arrival of Vanimo also holds special meaning for the country. Beginning 1 December, PNG Air will reinstate scheduled service to Vanimo for the first time in over a year, restoring a vital travel and trade link for one of Papua New Guinea's most important northern communities.

Brian Fraser, CEO of PNG Air, said the arrival represents a major step forward in delivering service the country can depend on:

"The arrival of our second ATR 72-600 is another strong signal of PNG Air's commitment to the people of Papua New Guinea. Vanimo is a community that has been without regular air service for far too long, and we are proud to bring this connection back. These new aircraft allow us to expand our schedule, improve reliability, and ensure that more of our remote regions have safe, efficient, and dependable access to the rest of the country."

The addition of the Vanimo aircraft enables increased capacity, improved on-time performance, and enhanced service across the domestic network.

PNG Air looks forward to welcoming passengers onboard Vanimo and continuing to strengthen its role as a truly national carrier—The People's Choice, Built for PNG.

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