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SAS Ground Services chosen by Air China at London Heathrow

Air China chose SAS Ground Services as their new provider of ground handling at London Heathrow. SAS Ground Services will provide passenger services and load control and has subcontracted Aviance to provide ramp handling.

Air China operates six B747 weekly flights between London Heathrow and Beijing.

The choice of SAS Ground Services was made after a comprehensive evaluation of several offers.

"Air China is delighted to announce our partnership with SAS Ground Services at London Heathrow," says Lee Boyle, Operations Manager Air China at London Heathrow. "We have recognized through the dedication and professionalism displayed by their personnel, the benefits that this will offer to our valued guests and airline within our challenging industry."

"We are very happy to have concluded this agreement with Air China and thereby being able to count yet another quality carrier among our customers," says Christer Svensson, Managing Director for SAS Ground Services UK Ltd. "We feel that this is a demonstration of our ability to attract new customers because of our capacity to meet their needs."

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