

## Media Alert

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## TPG ARCHITECTURE INVOLVED IN MAJOR REDEVELOPMENT AT BRITISH AIRWAYS JFK TERMINAL 7

### Plans for Ultra High-End Premium Passenger Arrival Area to Be Unveiled at Media Event

Jamaica, NY —On Wednesday, May 21, 2008, British Airways will publicize its plans for the new, ultra high-end Premium Passenger Arrival Area expanding the historic Terminal 7 at John F. Kennedy Airport. During an exclusive media event, the UK-based airline will reveal rendered layouts of its expanded terminal, developed by TPG Architecture. British Airways commissioned TPG in 2007 to complete the project in association with Davis & Baron of London. TPG's contribution, comprising over 22,500 square feet, will include a newly landscaped vehicle drop-off area featuring an original sculptural artwork; a swooping, 100' canopy made of glass and aluminum-clad steel; and a canted, 3,000 square foot glazed glass building addition rising 30' at its highest. This multi-million dollar project will offer British Airways passengers a world-class, hospitality experience while solidifying New York City as a premium destination.

The British Airways Terminal 7 renovation is an excellent example of a luxury Retail and Hospitality design concept fulfilled on behalf of the British Airways traveler. TPG Architecture's scope of work involves the completion of design development and construction documents for the Concorde Lounge, the Club Lounge, Check-in and Café in addition to the design and implementation of the new Premium Passenger areas. The project is slated for completion in summer 2009.

In keeping with its commitment to environmentally sensible design, British Airways is working together with their consultants to make the new Pavilion the first of its kind at JFK Airport to pursue LEED certification. With an eye on a LEED Green Building rating for Commercial Interiors, TPG has paid careful consideration to the latest USGBC project eligibility requirements.

"TPG partnered with British Airways to fulfill a mission, said Michel Fiechter, Principal-in-Charge for TPG Architecture. British Airways' team approach allowed us to successfully translate a design that will reflect BA's dedication to its passengers, and its desire to thoroughly enhance their premium travel experience."

**TPG Architecture** was founded in 1979 and has grown from its initial dual partnership to a design firm of over 250 staff, with offices in New York City, Long Island and London. While its core competencies are in corporate and retail design, the firm has cultivated practice groups in broadcast, architecture, healthcare and branding and graphics. TPG has recently completed work on the headquarters relocation of EMI Music Publishing in the Chelsea Market building; and the new League headquarters for the NHL. TPG is presently completing the Landmark and retail restoration at The Plaza Hotel; renovations to the Manhattan Headquarters for the Hess Corporation and retail renovations to the historic Chelsea Market Building. For further information, please visit <http://www.tpgarchitecture.com>.

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