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WOW air takes over Iceland Express

On Wednesday, no-frills carrier Iceland Express (HC) revealed that its flights would now operate under the WOW air (X9) brand. Neither company is an airline, but instead define themselves as "travel organizations", selling tickets and handling administrative issues while a separate operator carries out the flight.

On their website, Wow air clarified that the move "is not a merger, it is a takeover, with WOW air acquiring the Iceland Express route network, branding, and customer base. It is expected that a proportion of Iceland Express's staff will be offered jobs with WOW air—including some key management figures."

At present, HC flies to seven European destinations. Meanwhile, X9 operates two leased A320s and expects to lease two more by Spring 2013, expanding both routes and frequencies.

Singapore Airlines makes USD\$7.5 billion deal with Airbus

Danish newspaper Berlingske reported yesterday that Scandinavian airline SAS will issue pay cuts. On Wednesday, Singapore Airlines (SIA) announced its intention to purchase five more Airbus A380s and 20 more A350s for an estimated USD\$7.5 billion. The airline currently operates 19 A380-800 superjumbos. The new aircraft are expected to be delivered starting 2017.

In a statement, SIA's chief executive said the company hopes the order will allow more opportunities for growth and declared that the investment is a sign of the airline's confidence in the market's potential for superior full-service travel.

As part of the agreement, SIA said that Airbus would buy back five A340-500s, which will be removed from the fleet in the fourth quarter of 2013. Due to the withdrawal, the carrier will terminate non-stop service between Los Angeles and Singapore, and Newark and Singapore.

A piece of aviation history for 26 October

1958 - Snowy Mountains Project worker Tom Sonter accidentally discovers the wreckage of the Australian National Airways Avro 618 Ten Southern Cloud, which had disappeared without trace in bad weather over the Snowy Mountains in New South Wales, Australia, with the loss of all eight people on board on March 21, 1931, in Australia's first airline disaster.