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VISITOR ARRIVALS - WEEKLY BULLETIN (52/12)

Week ending Sunday 30th December 2012

TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITORS

Six thousand three hundred and sixty nine (6,369) visitors arrived in Seychelles during the week ending Sunday 30th December 2012.

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (TABLE 1)

Year to date

The year to date figure for 2012 shows that 207,411 visitors arrived in Seychelles. This figure was 7% above the 2011 figure (193,340).

Overall visitor arrivals from Europe increased by 1% compared to the same period in 2011. An analysis of arrivals by country of residence shows significant decreases in visitors from the main European markets. Decreases were recorded in visitors from France (-18%), UK & Eire (-15%) and Italy (-8%). There were increases in visitors from Germany (20%) and Russia (53%).

It is to be noted that in spite of the decrease in visitors from France, France is to date still the leading market with 32,190 visitors.

Visitors from Africa increased by 5% in 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. An increase of 17% was recorded in the number of visitors from South Africa.

Asia recorded a 50% increase in visitor arrivals, with United Arab Emirates and China recording increases of 52% and 111% respectively above the same period of 2011.

Visitors from America increased by 18% whereas from Oceania, an increase of 12% was recorded in visitors arriving in 2012 compared to the same period in 2011.

The leading markets to date are:

| Country | No. of visitors |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| France | 32,190 |
| Germany | 28,143 |
| Italy | 23,360 |
| Russia | 13,334 |
| United Arab Emirates | 12,853 |
| South Africa | 12,242 |

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT (TABLE 2)

Year to date

The number of holidaymakers visiting Seychelles in 2012 was 9% above the 2011 level. The number of visitors on business or combining business with a holiday was 8% below the 2011 level and the number in transit was 4% below the 2011 level.

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VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE
WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 30TH DECEMBER 2012

TABLE 1

| Country of residence | YEAR TO DATE | | | | % Change | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Week 52/12 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 12/11 | 12/10 |
| <u>TOTAL VISITORS</u> | <u>6,369</u> | <u>207,411</u> | <u>193,340</u> | <u>174,129</u> | <u>7</u> | <u>19</u> |
| <u>EUROPE TOTAL</u> | <u>4,406</u> | <u>144,211</u> | <u>142,678</u> | <u>131,243</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>10</u> |
| France | 767 | 32,190 | 39,306 | 35,011 | -18 | -8 |
| UK & Eire | 249 | 11,244 | 13,295 | 12,354 | -15 | -9 |
| Germany | 537 | 28,143 | 23,534 | 21,301 | 20 | 32 |
| Italy | 668 | 23,360 | 25,521 | 25,422 | -8 | -8 |
| Switzerland | 261 | 8,563 | 7,603 | 6,509 | 13 | 32 |
| Austria | 101 | 4,764 | 3,716 | 3,438 | 28 | 39 |
| Belgium & Luxembourg | 102 | 2,799 | 2,950 | 2,678 | -5 | 5 |
| Netherlands | 36 | 1,848 | 1,742 | 1,435 | 6 | 29 |
| Scandinavia | 259 | 3,968 | 3,358 | 3,154 | 18 | 26 |
| Spain & Portugal | 96 | 2,900 | 3,342 | 3,179 | -13 | -9 |
| Russia | 884 | 13,334 | 8,709 | 8,878 | 53 | 50 |
| Other C.I.S. | 147 | 2,796 | 2,154 | 1,636 | 30 | 71 |
| Other Europe | 299 | 8,302 | 7,448 | 6,248 | 11 | 33 |
| <u>AFRICA TOTAL</u> | <u>1,180</u> | <u>25,548</u> | <u>24,330</u> | <u>22,345</u> | <u>5</u> | <u>14</u> |
| Reunion | 203 | 4,115 | 4,700 | 4,483 | -12 | -8 |
| Mauritius | 65 | 2,867 | 3,853 | 3,627 | -26 | -21 |
| East Africa | 119 | 2,127 | 1,622 | 1,383 | 31 | 54 |
| South Africa | 620 | 12,242 | 10,423 | 10,424 | 17 | 17 |
| Other Southern Africa | 39 | 811 | 825 | 646 | -2 | 26 |
| Other Africa | 134 | 3,386 | 2,907 | 1,782 | 16 | 90 |
| <u>ASIA TOTAL</u> | <u>578</u> | <u>30,854</u> | <u>20,514</u> | <u>15,499</u> | <u>50</u> | <u>99</u> |
| United Arab Emirates | 191 | 12,853 | 8,471 | 5,368 | 52 | 139 |
| Other Middle East | 131 | 6,725 | 4,374 | 3,537 | 54 | 90 |
| Indian Sub Continent | 92 | 3,197 | 3,131 | 3,512 | 2 | -9 |
| China | 32 | 4,481 | 2,122 | 1,077 | 111 | 316 |
| Other Far East | 132 | 3,598 | 2,416 | 2,005 | 49 | 79 |
| <u>OCEANIA</u> | <u>49</u> | <u>1,238</u> | <u>1,109</u> | <u>1,092</u> | <u>12</u> | <u>13</u> |
| <u>AMERICA TOTAL</u> | <u>156</u> | <u>5,560</u> | <u>4,709</u> | <u>3,950</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>41</u> |
| USA | 117 | 3,911 | 3,201 | 2,780 | 22 | 41 |
| Other America | 39 | 1,649 | 1,508 | 1,170 | 9 | 41 |

SOURCE: NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS FROM DISEMBARKATION CARDS

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT
WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 30TH DECEMBER 2012

TABLE 2

| PURPOSE OF VISIT | YEAR TO DATE | | | % Change | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | Week 52/12 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 12/11 | 12/10 |
| TOTAL VISITORS | <u>6,369</u> | <u>207,411</u> | <u>193,340</u> | <u>174,129</u> | <u>7</u> | <u>19</u> |
| Holiday | 6,250 | 191,021 | 174,812 | 156,276 | 9 | 22 |
| Business | 31 | 6,094 | 6,452 | 9,854 | -6 | -38 |
| Holiday/Business | 2 | 194 | 381 | 480 | -49 | -60 |
| Transit | 7 | 1,319 | 1,376 | 1,165 | -4 | 13 |
| Other/Not Stated | 79 | 8,783 | 10,319 | 6,354 | -15 | 38 |

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