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### AMERICAN AIRLINES AND GESAC ANNOUNCE THE FIRST DIRECT FLIGHT BETWEEN NAPLES AND CHICAGO

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**Naples - American Airlines** and **GESAC** announce the first direct flight between Naples-Capodichino International Airport (NAP) and Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD), starting from May 2025.

During the summer season of 2025, American Airlines will operate up to two flights a day from Naples to the United States of America, thus ensuring greater connectivity for all passengers. The new flight between Naples and Chicago will be introduced following the great success of the direct connection to Philadelphia, which was particularly appreciated by both American and Italian passengers following its inauguration during the just ended summer season.

'We are thrilled to offer even more choices to reach Naples, the Amalfi Coast and other popular destinations throughout Southern Italy to passengers from the United States,' said **José Freig, Vice President of International Operations at American Airlines**. 'The new flight between Naples and Chicago helps strengthen our European network, in addition to our extensive presence in Italy, and also underscores our commitment to improving international connectivity for passengers on both sides of the Atlantic.'

'We are happy and proud that American Airlines has decided to further invest in Naples Airport, confirming the flight to Philadelphia and adding Chicago, one of the largest and most interesting cities in the United States and the fifth in North America that can be reached by direct flight next summer. Naples has the potential to increase intercontinental traffic and establish connections with the entire world, as demonstrated by the market, which has reacted very well to our commercial policies aimed at generating quality tourism, characterised by high-spending travellers with longer average stays with an extraordinary economic and employment impact for our region,' said **Roberto Barbieri, CEO of GESAC**.

Origin	Destination	Date of start	Departure hour	Arrival hour
Chicago (ORD)	Napoli (NAP)	6 May	20:15	12:45 (+1 day)
Napoli (NAP)	Chicago (ORD)	7 May	14:45	18:40

Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD) is one of the major hubs in the United States for American Airlines and offers passengers the opportunity to continue their journey thanks to more than 400 daily flights to over 130 destinations in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and Mexico.

American Airlines flights between Naples and Chicago will be operated by modern Boeing 787-8 aircraft offering passengers a complete high-end experience including lie-flat Flagship® Business Class and Premium Economy seats, state-of-the-art interiors, live TV streaming, high-speed Wi-Fi, and a curated collection of inflight entertainment options that includes more than 1,500 movies, tv shows, audio and lifestyle offerings.

### **About American Airlines Group**

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