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WFS GETS MOTOGP TEAMS TO THE STARTING LINE IN SPAIN



Fast ground handling by the Worldwide Flight Services (WFS) team in Seville helped the nine-times MotoGP world champion, Valentino Rossi, race to victory in the Spanish Grand Prix.

WFS, the world's largest cargo handler, was given the responsibility of handling four Boeing 747-400 freighter charter flights carrying over 330 tonnes of motorbikes and support equipment needed for the Grand Prix in Jerez in Spain's Andalusia region.

The race was the first one in Europe for the 2016 MotoGP championship,

following earlier rounds in Qatar, Argentina and the U.S. The competitors completed 28 laps of the circuit, covering a distance of 119.4kms. Valentino Rossi, who dominated the race, finished ahead of his Yamaha teammate, Spain's Jorge Lorenzo, in front of some 250,000 spectators. The 2016 event now heads to France for the next race on May 8.

Emilio Fernandez, CEO, Europe at WFS said: "Spain is an extremely important country in our global network and a market where we are experiencing strong growth. Being asked to provide the ground handling for such a high profile event as the MotoGP Grand Prix provides the perfect showcase of our expertise on the ramp and in all of the ground services needed to efficiently manage such time-critical cargoes. We are proud to have supported the event."

Pablo Garcia, WFS' Executive Vice President Business Development, said: 'Jerez is well-known for its beautiful wine but for fans of MotoGP it has a very different meaning as the home of the Spanish Grand Prix. As the championship involves events all over the world, it is essential that all of the ground and logistics operations perform to the very highest level as there is no time for a delay ahead of the race. The WFS team in Spain did a great job in ensuring every race bike and all of the equipment used by the teams was handled quickly and securely. We look forward to welcoming the MotoGP teams back to Spain in the future."



About WFS

Founded in 1971, WFS (<u>www.wfs.aero</u>) is the world's largest cargo handler and a leading global provider of ground handling and technical services with annual revenues of €750 million. It employs 14,000 staff and is present at over 145 major airports in more than 22 countries on five continents, serving 50 million passengers and handling over four million tonnes of cargo per annum for 300 airline customers.