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American Airlines statement on Azul restructuring and GOL partnership

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American Airlines issued the following statement from Vice Chair and Chief Strategy Officer Stephen Johnson about American's support of Azul's restructuring and its commitment to its partnership with GOL.

"We are confident that Azul's plan to strengthen its future will be extremely positive for the Brazilian aviation market and travelers to, from and across Brazil," said Stephen Johnson, Vice Chair and Chief Strategy Officer for American Airlines. "American has served Latin America since 1942 and is proud to fly to 14 destinations in South America. Our service, including that of our partners GOL and JetSMART, combined with the strength and breadth of Azul's network, will provide our customers another unique option for traveling between the Americas and even more connectivity in Brazil and throughout South America. We are excited to support this process and to be part of Azul's future."

"GOL remains a key partner to American," added Johnson. "We are proud to have created the largest joint frequent flyer program in the Americas with the combination of American's AAdvantage® and GOL's SMILES loyalty programs. Together, American and GOL offer customers access to 230 destinations in the United States served by American and more than 75 destinations in South America served by GOL. Through the strength of our partnership, our most loyal members enjoy a seamless experience with increased reciprocal benefits when traveling on the broadest and most rewarding network in the Americas. We are excited about the future of our partnership."