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## JAL Support's Tokyo's Bid for the 2016 Olympics & Paralympics

- JAL an Official Partner of Tokyo 2016 Bid Committee/ Special Aircraft Design Unveiled -

**Tokyo, October 2, 2008:** From today, October 2, 2008, Japan Airlines (JAL) will put into service a specially decorated aircraft to support Tokyo's bid for the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

JAL is an official partner of the Tokyo 2016 Bid Committee. In support of the committee's activities, the airline has decorated one of its B767-300 aircraft with a special Tokyo 2016 Olympic/ Paralympic Games bid design. The design incorporates the committee's logo and Japanese catchphrase as well as an attractive rainbow motif.



The aircraft will serve on domestic Japan routes helping to raise awareness and support from the skies for the Olympic bid throughout the country.

Routes the aircraft will serve on are as follows: Tokyo (Haneda) - Komatsu, Tokyo (Haneda) - Matsuyama, Osaka (Kansai) - Sapporo, and Osaka (Kansai) - Okinawa (Naha).

For more information on Tokyo's Olympic/Paralympic Games bid please visit: http://www.tokyo2016.or.jp/en/

In the past JAL was given the privilege of carrying the Olympic Torch from Athens to Japan for the 1964 Tokyo Olympic Games. More recently JAL was the official airline for the Japanese national team for the 29<sup>th</sup> Olympic Summer Games in Beijing, China in August 2008.

JAL is also a supporter of Special Olympics Nippon (SON), the Japan branch of the Special Olympics. For the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, JAL provided assistance to Special Olympics Nippon by providing air transportation to the team of athletes from Japan and SON members of staff.



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## JAL & the Olympics over the Years

Year	Place	Olympiad	JAL Participation
1964	Tokyo	Summer	Operated charter flight between Athens and Naha to transport the Olympic Torch for the
			Tokyo Olympic Games.
1992	Barcelona	Summer	Operated chartered flight to carry Japanese Olympic team participating in the Games.
1996	Atlanta	Summer	Official Airline
1998	Nagano	Winter	Official Airline. Operated chartered flight to transport the Olympic torch.
2000	Sydney	Summer	Official Airline. Aircraft on domestic Japan routes specially painted with the JOC
			emblem and "Gambare! Nippon! (Go for it! Japan!)".
2002	Salt Lake	Winter	Official airline.
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2004	Athens	Summer	Official Airline. Two JAL cabin attendants from JAL Rabbits team selected as members
			of national basketball team in the Athens Olympics.
2005	Nagano	Special Winter	Support the event by promoting the event in-flight, dispatching staff to the Games offices,
			and providing air tickets to athletes.
2006	Turin	Winter	Official airline.
2007	Shanghai	Special Summer	Assist Special Olympics Nippon (SON) by providing air transportation to the team of
			athletes from Japan and SON members of staff.
2008	Beijing	Summer	Official airline. Decorates 777-300 with special "Gambare! Nippon!" livery

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