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Subject: Scheduled Maintenance - XML API - Sunday, 21st June 2009, 08:00hrs - 12:00hrs BST

Dear Customer,

Notice of scheduled maintenance

Please note that we have the following scheduled unavailability of our XML Interface sites:

From: Sunday 21st June 2009, 08:00hrs London time
To: Sunday 21st June 2009, 12:00hrs London time

Kindly note that the completion time of this work is approximate. Contingency for any problems have already been built into this down-time, however, in the event of any serious problems occurring, these timings are subject to change at short notice.

Affected Environment: Live

Reason: Planned install

Impact: The XML API sites will be entirely unavailable and you will not be able to connect to them at all for static data, price and allotment searches or booking requests.

During this install you can check for updates on our support site: <http://xml-support.gta-travel.com> then clicking on the appropriate link under 'Service Information'.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this unavailability of our XML API and XML call centre sites causes you.

Below you will find a list of all changes that will be made on this day that will affect your XML connection.

1. Dynamic Inventory.

GTA are now offering increased inventory to you. This has been achieved by negotiating very competitive prices with some major hotel chains and by using their XML APIs to feed their latest availability and prices directly to our XML clients via the GTA XML API. In order to receive the additional inventory you will need to make some changes to your code and there will be two different options for you to retrieve it. Please refer to the attached document titled 'Dynamic Inventory' for a more detailed explanation. Please also see the attached documents ('Update Src2.2-01.doc' and 'Update Bkg2.2-01.doc') for information about the required schema changes. If you do not have the resources to make any changes at this stage you can, of course, continue working with the same code you are using now, but you will not benefit from the additional inventory. We are very excited that we are able to offer these additional properties to you and are sure that you will be equally keen not to miss out on this opportunity.

2. Schema Changes For The <SearchChargeConditionsRequest>

It is now possible to retrieve the exact dates that our charges conditions apply to rather than days prior to arrival. If you would like to make use of this change you will need to pass through the new <DateFormatResponse/> parameter with your request. Please see the attached document ('Update Bkg2.2-02.doc') for further information about this.

3. Price And Availability Cache

Over the last couple of years many of our XML clients have asked us to provide a way of uploading price and availability information to populate their local cache and we are very happy to announce that we can now provide the means to do this. The new requests will provide you with the ability to download an XML file which contains the price and/or availability data through the API. All requests must be sent in an ASYNCHRONOUS mode and the clients will need to supply a response URL to enable us to push the response back. New files are being created which will contain a daily breakdown of the price and/or allotment data of our contracted hotels. It will be possible for our clients to request the following three different files as and when required by them:

- one file which contains the price and allotment data
- one file which contains the allotment data only
- one file which contains the price data only

Please see the attached document ('Update Bkg2.2-02.doc') for further information about this.

The latest version of the schema as well as the appropriate update documents have been attached to this email, but you can also find this information on our support site <http://xml-support.gta-travel.com>. All changes will be available for testing on our demo servers shortly.

Please note this email account is not monitored and all messages received will automatically be deleted. If you have any queries please contact us at

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Best regards

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