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**Subject:** Scheduled Maintenance - XML API - Sunday, 16th November 2008, 08:00hrs - 12:00hrs GMT

Dear Customer,

### **Notice of scheduled maintenance**

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

**From:** Sunday 16th November 2008, 08:00hrs London time  
**To:** Sunday 16th November 2008, 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/LoginPage.asp> 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.

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

### **1. Enhancements to the <SearchItemInformationResponse>**

- a) We have made a change to the <SearchItemInformationResponse> messages for hotels and apartments and will return the property's email address and website address/URL.
- b) We have made a change to the <SearchItemInformationResponse> messages for sightseeing tours and will return not only the departure point code and name but also the departure point description.

If you are concerned that you are unable to handle this enhancement without prior testing please contact us to ensure that these new parameters are not being returned to you until you have checked and changed your code accordingly. Please see the attached documents (Update Dta.2.1-11) for further information about this.

### **2. Recommended Sightseeing Tours**

Until now we were only returning the information about recommend items for the hotel module. It will now be possible to also receive this information for sightseeing tours via the <SearchSightseeingPriceRequest> and the <SearchRecommendedItemRequest ItemType="sightseeing">. Please see the attached documents (Update Dta.2.1-13 & Update Src2.1-06) for further information about this.

### **3. Sightseeing Categories And Types**

For some time it has been possible to perform a refined <SearchSightseeingPriceRequest> selecting either the category or the type. In order for you to know which category and type codes can be used we are now introducing two new static data XML modules that allow you to retrieve this information:

- a) <SearchSightseeingTypeRequest>
- b) <SearchSightseeingCategoryRequest>

Please see the attached document (Update Dta.2.1-10) for further information about this.

#### 4. New Hotel Groups File

As you may have already noticed, since the beginning of September 2008 we no longer display the hotels for which we have different prices for different room categories; e.g.: standard, executive and deluxe, as separate properties but as one property with different categories. We do that with the help of a newly created mapping table which you will also be able to access via the XML API in order to assist you with mapping and grouping these hotel codes if you wish to do so. This in turn will allow you to enhance the display of your own web sites and show the room categories under the same property name in a similar way we have in the past three months on our own websites. Please see the attached document (Update Dta.2.1-12) for further information about this.

#### Reminder: New City And Country Codes For Monaco, San Marino And Andorra

We have created the following new city and country codes for Monaco, San Marino and Andorra:

	Monaco	San Marino	Andorra
New Country Code	MC	SM	AD
Country Name	Monaco	San Marino	Andorra
New City Code	QMCM	QSAI	ALV
City Name	Monte Carlo	San Marino	Andorra La Vella

Please ensure that you use these new codes for all your XML requests. If you are still using our old city codes you will no longer receive any of our inventory in these destinations.

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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.

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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 [technical.support@gta-travel.com](mailto:technical.support@gta-travel.com)

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