

## RISK FACTORS

### Risks Related to Our Operations

*Hurricanes and other natural disasters have adversely affected our business in the past and could do so again in the future.*

The southeast region of Mexico, like other Caribbean destinations, experiences hurricanes, particularly during the third quarter of each year. Portions of the southeast region also experience earthquakes from time to time. Natural disasters may impede operations, damage infrastructure necessary to our operations and/or adversely affect the destinations served by our airports. Any of these events could reduce our passenger traffic volume. The occurrence of natural disasters in the destinations we serve has adversely affected, and could in the future adversely affect, our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition. Some experts believe that climate change due to global warming could increase the frequency and severity of hurricanes in the future. We have insured the physical facilities at our airports against damage caused by natural disasters, accidents or other similar events, but do not have insurance covering losses due to resulting business interruption. Moreover, should losses occur, there can be no assurance that losses caused by damages to the physical facilities will not exceed the pre-established limits on the policies.

On October 21, 2005, Hurricane Wilma struck the Yucatan Peninsula, causing severe damage to the infrastructure of the Cancun and Cozumel airports and to our administrative office building in Cancun. Cancun and Cozumel airports were closed for approximately 62 hours and 42 hours, respectively, and airport operations were disrupted for several weeks thereafter. The hurricane also inflicted extensive damage on the hotel and tourist infrastructure in Cancun, the Mayan Riviera region and Cozumel, which led to sharply reduced air passenger traffic at our airports, especially in the fourth quarter of 2005 and during the first half of 2006. During the fourth quarter of 2005, our passenger traffic decreased 33.1%, and revenues and operating income fell 32.6% and 86.5%, respectively, relative to the same period in 2004, reflecting the decline in passenger traffic. Tourism in Cancun and the Mayan Riviera has by now largely recovered from Hurricane Wilma, and tourism in Cozumel continues to recover.

Other hurricanes, such as Hurricane Dean in August 2007, Hurricane Emily in July 2005 and Hurricane Ivan in September 2004, have also affected our operations.

*Increases in international petroleum prices could reduce demand for air travel.*

International prices of fuel, which represents a significant cost for airlines using our airports, have significantly increased over the past year and may be subject to further increases resulting from a reduction in output of petroleum, voluntary or otherwise, by oil-producing countries, other market forces, a general increase in international hostilities, or any future terrorist attacks. Such increases in airlines' costs have resulted in higher airline ticket prices and may decrease demand for air travel generally, thereby having an adverse effect on our revenues and results of operations.

*Our business could be adversely affected by a downturn in the U.S. economy.*

In 2007, 66.7% of the international passengers served by our airports arrived or departed on flights originating in or departing to the United States. Thus, our business is dependent on the condition of the U.S. economy, and is particularly influenced by trends in the United States relating to leisure travel, consumer spending and international tourism. Events and conditions affecting the U.S. economy may adversely affect our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition. The U.S. economy has recently experienced and continues to experience an economic slowdown that may negatively affect our results of operations. If this slowdown becomes a prolonged economic crisis, it will likely have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

*The loss of one or more of our key customers could result in a loss of a significant amount of our revenues.*

The global airline industry has recently experienced and continues to experience significant financial difficulties, marked by the filing for bankruptcy protection of several carriers and recent warnings regarding industry profitability, largely as a result of higher oil prices. On June 2, 2008, the International Air Transport Association (IATA) revised its 2008 financial forecast for the air transport industry downwards to a loss of US\$2.3 billion, and said losses for the industry could be as high as US\$6.1 billion. Our business and results of operations could be adversely affected if we do not continue to generate comparable portions of our revenue from our key customers, including Mexicana (which accounted for 7.12% of our revenues in 2007), Aeromexico (4.94% of our revenues in 2007), American Airlines (which accounted for 4.74% of our revenues in 2007), and Continental Airlines (which accounted for 4.49% of our revenues in 2007). We do not have contracts with any airlines that obligate them to continue providing service to our airports and we can offer no assurance that competing airlines would seek to increase their flight schedules if any of our key customers reduced their use of our airports. We expect that we will continue to generate a significant portion of our revenues from a relatively small number of airlines in the foreseeable future. Our business and results of operations could be adversely affected if we do not continue to generate comparable portions of our revenue from our key customers.

In addition, Mexican law prohibits an international airline from transporting passengers from one Mexican location to another (unless the flight originated outside Mexico), which limits the number of airlines providing domestic service in Mexico. Accordingly, we expect to continue to generate a significant portion of our revenues from domestic travel from a limited number of airlines.

*Our business is highly dependent upon revenues from Cancun International Airport.*

In 2007, Ps. 2,108.1 million or 75.7% respectively, of our revenues were derived from operations at Cancun International Airport. During 2006 and 2007, Cancun International Airport represented 70.6% and 69.8%, respectively, of our passenger traffic and 44.1% and 43.5%, respectively, of our air traffic movements. The desirability of Cancun as a tourist destination and the level of tourism to the area is dependent on a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control. We cannot assure you that tourism in Cancun will not decline in the future. Any event or condition affecting Cancun International Airport or the areas that it serves could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition.

*The September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks had a severe impact on the international air travel industry and adversely affected our business. Similar events may do so again in the future.*

*The events of September 11, 2001 resulted in a significant decline in passenger traffic worldwide and future terrorist attacks could result in similar declines.*

The terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001 had a severe adverse impact on the air travel industry, particularly on U.S. carriers and carriers operating international service to and from the United States. Airline traffic in the United States fell precipitously after the attacks. In Mexico, airline and passenger traffic decreased substantially, although the decrease was less severe than in the United States. Our airports experienced a significant decline in passenger traffic following September 11, 2001. Any future terrorists attacks, whether or not involving aircraft, will likely adversely affect our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition.

*Security enhancements have resulted in increased costs and may expose us to greater liability.*

The air travel business is susceptible to increased costs resulting from enhanced security and higher insurance and fuel costs. Following the events of September 11, we reinforced security at our airports. For a description of the security measures that we adopted, see "Item 4. Information on the Company—Business Overview—Non-Aeronautical Services—Airport Security." While enhanced security at our airports has not resulted in a significant increase in our operating costs to date, we may be required to adopt additional security measures in the future. In addition, our general liability insurance premiums for 2002 increased substantially relative to our 2001 premiums and may rise again in the future. Since October 2001, we carry a U.S.\$50 million insurance policy covering liabilities resulting from terrorist acts. Because our insurance policies do not cover losses resulting from war in any amount or from terrorism for amounts greater than U.S.\$50 million, we could incur significant costs if we were to be directly affected by events of this nature. While governments in other countries have agreed to indemnify airlines for liabilities they might incur resulting from terrorist attacks, the Mexican government has not done so and has given no indication of any intention to do the same. In addition, fuel prices and supplies, which constitute a significant cost for airlines using our airports, may be subject to increases resulting from any future terrorist attacks, a general increase in international hostilities or a reduction in output of fuel, voluntary or otherwise, by oil producing countries. Such increases in airlines' costs have resulted in higher airline ticket prices and decreased demand for air travel generally, thereby having an adverse effect on our revenues and results of operations. In addition, because a substantial majority of our international flights involve travel to the U.S., we may be required to comply with security directives of the U.S. Federal Aviation Authority, in addition to the directives of Mexican aviation authorities.

Mexican aviation authorities recently adopted International Civil Aviation Organization guidelines requiring checked baggage on all international commercial flights beginning in January 2006 to undergo a new comprehensive screening process. As of January 2006, we implemented the new screening system for all departing international flights, and we implemented the same system for domestic flights as of July 1, 2006. Although airlines, rather than holders of airport concessions, are responsible for baggage screening under Mexican law, we decided to purchase, install and operate the new screening equipment and supply this service to the airlines to facilitate their compliance with the new policy. This could expose us to liability relating to the purchase, installation and operation of the equipment, or require us to purchase, install and operate additional equipment, if, among other possibilities, the new screening procedures were to fail to detect or intercept any attempted terrorist act occurring or originating at our airports. We cannot estimate the cost to us of any such liability, if any were to arise.

*International events could have a negative impact on international air travel and our business.*

Historically, a substantial majority of our revenues have been aeronautical services, and our principal source of aeronautical revenues is passenger charges. Passenger charges are payable for each passenger (other than diplomats, infants, transfer and transit passengers) departing from the airport terminals we operate, collected by the airlines and paid to us. In 2007, passenger charges represented 52.0% of our consolidated revenues.

International events such as the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001, the war in Iraq and public health crises such as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (or "SARS") have disrupted the frequency and pattern of air travel worldwide in recent years. Because our revenues are largely dependent on the level of passenger traffic in our airports, any general increase of hostilities relating to reprisals against terrorist organizations, further conflict in the Middle East, outbreaks of health epidemics such as SARS, Avian influenza or other events of general international concern (and any related economic impact of such events) could result in decreased passenger traffic and increased costs to the air travel industry and, as a result, could cause a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition.

*Our revenues are highly dependent on levels of air traffic, which depend in part on factors beyond our control.*

Our revenues are closely linked to passenger and cargo traffic volumes and the number of air traffic movements at our airports. These factors directly determine our revenues from aeronautical services and indirectly determine our revenues from non-aeronautical services. Passenger and cargo traffic volumes and air traffic movements depend in part on many factors beyond our control, including economic conditions in Mexico and the United States, the political situation in Mexico and elsewhere in the world, the attractiveness of our airports relative to that of other competing airports, fluctuations in petroleum prices (which can have a negative impact on traffic as a result of fuel surcharges or other measures adopted by airlines in response to increased fuel costs) and changes in regulatory policies applicable to the aviation industry. Any decreases in air traffic to or from our airports as a result of factors such as these could adversely affect our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition.

*Our business is highly dependent upon the operations of Mexico City Area Airports.*

In 2005, 2006 and 2007, approximately 84.3%, 80.6% and 71.1% respectively, of our domestic passengers flew to or from our airports via Mexico City International Airport. As a result, our domestic traffic is highly dependent upon the operations of Mexico City International Airport. Mexico City International Airport recently opened Terminal 2 with 23 boarding gates with boarding bridges and three remote boarding gates served by buses, thus increasing its capacity. However, we cannot assure you that the airport's operations will not decrease in the future, or that this capacity increase will result in an increase in passenger traffic at our airports.

Additionally, Toluca International Airport, which is located approximately 64 km from Mexico City, has recently emerged as a complementary airport to Mexico City International Airport. In 2007, approximately 10.6% of our domestic passengers flew to or from our airports via Toluca International Airport. Any event or condition that adversely affects Mexico City International Airport or Toluca International Airport could adversely affect our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition.

*Competition from other tourist destinations could adversely affect our business.*

One of the principal factors affecting our results of operations and business is the number of passengers using our airports. The number of passengers using our airports may vary as a result of factors beyond our control, including the level of tourism in Mexico. In addition, our passenger traffic volume may be adversely affected by the attractiveness, affordability and accessibility of competing tourist destinations in Mexico, such as Acapulco, Puerto Vallarta and Los Cabos, or elsewhere, such as Puerto Rico, Florida, Cuba, Jamaica, the Dominican Republic and other Caribbean island and Central American destinations. The attractiveness of the destinations we serve is also likely to be affected by perceptions of travelers as to the safety and political and social stability of Mexico. There can be no assurance that tourism levels in the future will match or exceed current levels.

*Revenues from passenger charges are not secured, and we may not be able to collect amounts invoiced in the event of the insolvency of one of its principal airline customers.*

In recent years, many airlines have reported substantial losses. Our revenues from passenger charges from our principal airline customers are not secured by a bond or any other collateral. Thus, in the event of the insolvency of any of these airlines, we would not be assured of collecting any amounts invoiced to that airline in respect of passenger charges.

*If a change in relations with our labor force should occur, such a change could have an adverse impact on our results of operations.*

Although we currently believe we maintain good relations with our labor force, if any conflicts with our employees were to arise in the future, including with our unionized employees (which accounted for approximately 39.2% of our total employees as of December 31, 2007), resulting events such as strikes or other disruptions that could arise with respect to our workforce could have a negative impact on our results of operations.

*The operations of our airports may be disrupted due to the actions of third parties beyond our control.*

As is the case with most airports, the operation of our airports is largely dependent on the services of third parties, such as air traffic control authorities and airlines. We are also dependent upon the Mexican government or entities of the government for provision of services such as energy, supply of fuel to aircraft at our airports and immigration services for our international passengers. We are not responsible for and cannot control the services provided by these parties. Any disruption in or adverse consequence resulting from their services, including a work stoppage or other similar event, may have a material adverse effect on the operation of our airports and on our results of operations.

*Fernando Chico Pardo, through his own investment vehicles and his 51% interest in Inversiones y Técnicas Aeroportuarias, S.A. de C.V., or ITA, has a significant influence as a shareholder and over our management, and his interests may differ from those of other stockholders.*

Following tender offers in the United States and Mexico for our Series B shares that expired on June 19, 2007, Agrupación Aeroportuaria Internacional, S.A. de C.V. and Agrupación Aeroportuaria Internacional II, S.A. de C.V., entities indirectly owned and controlled by Fernando Chico Pardo, now own 19.5% of our capital stock in the form of Series B shares. The results of the tender offers are described in greater detail in "Item 7—Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions—Major Shareholders—Tender Offer by Fernando Chico Pardo."

In addition, ITA, an entity owned 51% by Mr. Chico Pardo and 49% by Copenhagen Airports A/S ("Copenhagen Airports"), holds Series BB shares representing 7.65% of our capital stock. These Series BB shares provide it with special management rights. For example, pursuant to our bylaws, ITA is entitled to present the board of directors the name or names of the candidates for appointment as chief executive officer, to remove our chief executive officer and to appoint and remove one half of the executive officers, and to elect two members of our board of directors. ITA also has the right to veto certain actions requiring approval of our stockholders. Our bylaws also provide ITA veto rights with respect to certain corporate actions so long as its Series BB shares represent at least 7.65% of our capital stock. Special rights granted to ITA are more fully discussed in "Item 10. Additional Information" and "Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions."

As a result of this ownership, Mr. Chico Pardo, who is also the chairman of our board of directors and our Chief Executive Officer, is able to exert a significant influence over our management and matters requiring the approval of our stockholders. The interests of Mr. Chico Pardo, Copenhagen Airports and ITA may differ from those of our other stockholders, and there can be no assurance that any of Mr. Chico Pardo, Copenhagen Airports or ITA will exercise its rights in ways that favor the interests of our other stockholders. Furthermore, this concentration of ownership by Mr. Chico Pardo and the special rights granted to ITA may have the effect of impeding a merger, consolidation, takeover or other business combination involving ASUR.

*Some of our board members and stockholders have business relationships that may generate conflicts of interest.*

Some of our board members or stockholders may have outside business relationships that generate conflicts of interest. For example, Fernando Chico Pardo, the chairman of our board of directors, our principal stockholder, is also a member of the board of directors of Grupo Posadas, S.A. de C.V., a company that holds an interest in Mexicana Airlines. Mexicana is our largest customer, accounting for 10.36%, 9.14% and 7.12% of our revenues in 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Conflicts may arise between the interests of these or other individuals in their capacities as our shareholders and/or directors, on the one hand, and their outside business interests on the other. There can be no assurance that any conflicts of interest will not have an adverse effect on our shareholders.

*Our operations are at greater risk of disruption due to the dependence of most of our airports on a single commercial runway.*

As is the case with many other domestic and international airports around the world, most of our airports, including Cancun International Airport, have only one commercial aviation runway. While we seek to keep our runways in good working order and to conduct scheduled maintenance during off-peak hours, we cannot assure you that the operation of our runways will not be disrupted due to required maintenance or repairs. In addition, our runways may require unscheduled repair or maintenance due to natural disasters, aircraft accidents and other factors that are beyond our control. The closure of any runway for a significant period of time could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition.

Due to a significant increase in air traffic operations at Cancun International Airport, we have begun construction on a second runway, which we expect to complete in 2009. If we are unable to complete the construction or commence operation of this second runway for any reason, it could limit the growth of our business and adversely affect our results of operations, future prospects or financial condition.

*We are exposed to risk related to construction projects.*

The building requirements under our master development programs could encounter delays or cause us to exceed our budgeted costs for such projects, which could limit our ability to expand capacity at our airports, increase our operating or capital expenses and could adversely affect our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition. Such delays or budgetary overruns also could limit our ability to comply with our master development programs.

*We are exposed to risks inherent to the operation of airports.*

We are obligated to protect the public at our airports and to reduce the risk of accidents. As with any company dealing with members of the public, we must implement certain measures for the protection of the public, such as fire safety in public spaces, design and maintenance of car parking facilities and access routes to meet road safety rules. We are also obligated to take certain measures related to aviation activities, such as maintenance, management and supervision of aviation facilities, rescue and fire-fighting services for aircraft, measurement of runway friction coefficients and measures to control the threat from birds and other wildlife on airport sites. These obligations could increase our exposure to liability to third parties for personal injury or property damage resulting from our operations.

*Our insurance policies may not provide sufficient coverage against all liabilities.*

While we seek to insure all reasonable risks, we can offer no assurance that our insurance policies would cover all of our liabilities in the event of an accident, terrorist attack or other incident. The markets for airport insurance and construction insurance are limited, and a change in coverage policy by the insurance companies involved could reduce our ability to obtain and maintain adequate or cost-effective coverage. A certain number of our assets cannot, by their nature, be covered by property insurance (notably aircraft movement areas, and certain civil engineering works and infrastructure). In addition, we do not currently carry business interruption insurance.

## **Risks Related to the Regulation of Our Business**

*The price regulatory system applicable to our airports imposes maximum rates for each airport.*

*The price regulatory system does not guarantee that our consolidated results of operations, or that the results of operations of any airport, will be profitable.*

The system of price regulation applicable to our airports establishes an annual maximum rate for each airport, which is the maximum annual amount of revenues per work load unit (which is equal to one passenger or 100 kilograms (220 pounds) of cargo) that we may earn at that airport from services subject to price regulation. The maximum rates for our airports have been determined for each year through December 31, 2008. For a discussion of the framework for establishing our maximum rates and the application of these rates, see "Item 4. Information on the Company-Regulatory Framework-Price Regulation." Under the terms of our concessions, there is no guarantee that the results of operations of any airport will be profitable.

Our concessions provide that an airport's maximum rates will be adjusted periodically for inflation. Although we are entitled to request additional adjustments to an airport's maximum rates under certain circumstances, including the amendment of certain provisions of the Mexican Airport Law, our concessions provide that such a request will be approved only if the Ministry of Communications and Transportation determines that certain events specified in our concessions have occurred. The circumstances under which we are entitled to an adjustment are described under "Item 4. Information on the Company-Regulatory Framework-Price Regulation-Special Adjustments to Maximum Rates." There can be no assurance that any such request would be made or granted.

*Our results of operations may be adversely affected by required efficiency adjustments to our maximum rates.*

In addition, our maximum rates are subject to annual efficiency adjustments, which have the effect of reducing the maximum rates for each year to reflect projected efficiency improvements. For the five-year term ending December 31, 2008, an annual efficiency adjustment factor of 0.75% was established by the Ministry of Communications and Transportation. Future annual efficiency adjustments will be determined by the Ministry of Communications and Transportation in connection with the setting of each airport's maximum rates every five years. For a description of these efficiency adjustments, see "Item 4. Information on the Company-Regulatory Framework-Price Regulation-Methodology for Determining Future Maximum Rates." We cannot assure you that we will achieve efficiency improvements sufficient to allow us to maintain or increase our operating income as a result of the progressive decrease in each airport's maximum rate.



*Our maximum rates and annual efficiency adjustments will be renegotiated in 2008.*

This year, the Ministry of Communications and Transportation will set our maximum rates and annual efficiency adjustments for 2009 through 2014. For a discussion of the framework for establishing our maximum rates and the application of these rates, see "Item 4. Information on the Company-Regulatory Framework-Price Regulation." We are unable to predict what our maximum rates or annual efficiency adjustments will be for this period, and we cannot assure you that any changes to our maximum rates or annual efficiency adjustments for this period will not have a material adverse impact on our results of operations.

*The regulatory framework we are subject to could be changed in a way that adversely affects us due to a report issued by the Chairman of the Mexican Competition Commission.*

On October 1, 2007, the Chairman of Federal Competition Commission (*Comisión Federal de Competencia*, or the "Competition Commission") released an independent report on the competitiveness of Mexico's airports relative to each other and to international airports. For a description of this report, please see "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and

Prospects – Recent Developments - Report of the Federal Competition Commission on Mexico's Airports." After the Competition Commission Chairman's report was released, a bill was introduced in Mexico's Congress to amend the Mexican Airport Law. The bill proposes to establish an autonomous Federal Airport Services Commission (*Comisión Federal de Servicios Aeroportuarios*) which would be charged with regulating airport service providers; require the *Secretaría de Comunicaciones y Transporte*, or the "Ministry of Communications and Transportation" to consult with the Competition Commission on policy decisions and the granting of concessions; allow the Ministry of Communications and Transportation to consider economic efficiency and reductions in user costs when granting airport concessions; permit the Federal Airport Services Commission to conduct auctions for take-off and landing slots at saturated airports; allow the Federal Airport Services Commission to require equal participation by investors and Mexican businesses in providing regulated services and to require airports to obtain an annual accreditation. We cannot predict whether these amendments will be adopted or, if adopted, the impact they would have on us, including whether these amendments would result in a change to our maximum rates.

*Changes to Mexican laws, regulations and decrees applicable to us could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations.*

The Mexican government has recently implemented changes, and may implement additional reforms, to the tax laws applicable to Mexican companies including ASUR. The terms of our concessions do not exempt us from any changes to the Mexican tax laws. Should the Mexican government implement changes to the tax laws that result in our having significantly higher income or asset tax liability, we will be required to pay the higher amounts due pursuant to any such changes, which could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations. In addition, changes to the Mexican constitution or to any other Mexican laws could also have a material adverse impact on our results of operations.

*Our concessions may be terminated under various circumstances, some of which are beyond our control.*

We operate each of our airports under 50-year concessions granted as of 1998 by the Mexican government. A concession may be terminated for a variety of reasons. For example, a concession may be terminated if we fail to make the committed investments required by the terms of that concession. In addition, in the event that we exceed the applicable maximum rate at an airport in any year, the Ministry of Communications and Transportation is entitled to reduce the applicable maximum rate at that airport for the subsequent year and assess a penalty. Violations of certain terms of a concession (including violations for exceeding the applicable maximum rate) can result in termination only if sanctions have been imposed for violation of the relevant term at least three times. Violations of other terms of a concession can result in the immediate termination of the concession. We would face similar sanctions for violations of the Mexican Airport Law or its regulations. Although we believe we are currently complying with the principal requirements of the Mexican Airport Law and its regulations, we are not in compliance with certain requirements under the regulations. These violations could result in fines or other sanctions being assessed by the Ministry of Communications and Transportation, and are among the violations that could result in termination of a concession if they occur three or more times. For a description of the consequences that may result from the violation of various terms of our concessions, the Mexican Airport Law or its regulations, see “Item 4. Information on the Company—Regulatory Framework—Penalties and Termination and Revocation of Concessions and Concession Assets.” Under applicable Mexican law and the terms of our concessions, our concessions may also be made subject to additional conditions, which we may be unable to meet. Failure to meet these conditions may also result in fines, other sanctions and the termination of the concessions.

In addition, the Mexican government may terminate one or more of our concessions at any time through reversion (*rescate*), if, in accordance with applicable Mexican law, it determines that it is required by national security or in the public interest to do so. In the event of a reversion (*rescate*) of the public domain assets that are the subject of our concessions, such assets would revert to the Mexican government and the Mexican government under Mexican law would be required to compensate us, taking into consideration investments made and depreciation of the relevant assets, but not the value of the assets subject to the concessions, based on the methodology set forth in the reversion (*rescate*) resolution issued by the Mexican Ministry of Communications and Transportation. There can be no assurance that we will receive compensation equivalent to the value of our investment in our concessions and related assets in the event of such a reversion (*rescate*).

In the event of war, natural disaster, grave disruption of the public order or an imminent threat to national security, internal peace or the economy, the Mexican government may carry out a requisition (*requisita* – step-in rights) with respect to our airports. The step-in rights may be exercised by the Mexican government as long as the circumstances warrant. In all cases, except international war, the Mexican government is required to indemnify us for damages and lost profits (*daños y perjuicios*) caused by such requisition, calculated at their real value (*valor real*); provided that if we were to contest the amount of such indemnification, the amount of the indemnity with respect to damages (*daños*) shall be fixed by expert appraisers appointed by us and the Mexican government, and the amount of the indemnity with respect to lost profits (*perjuicios*) shall be calculated taking into consideration the average net income during the year immediately prior to the requisition. In the event of requisition due to international war, the Mexican government would not be obligated to indemnify us.

In the event that any one of our concessions is terminated, whether through reversion (*rescate*) or otherwise, our other concessions may also be terminated. Thus, the loss of any concession would have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations. For a discussion of events which may lead to a termination of a concession, see “Item 4. Information on the Company–Regulatory Framework–Penalties and Termination and Revocation of Concessions and Concession Assets.” Moreover, we are required to continue operating each of our nine airports for the duration of our concessions, even if one or more of them are unprofitable.

*The Mexican government could grant new concessions that compete with our airports, including the Cancun International Airport.*

The Mexican government could grant additional concessions to operate existing government managed airports, or authorize the construction of new airports, that could compete directly with our airports. The Mexican government has announced that it intends, at some point in the future, to grant a concession for a new airport in the Mayan Riviera through a public bidding process. The bidding process is expected to take place during the second half of 2008. The Mexican state of Quintana Roo has formed a majority state-owned company to seek any such concession that may be granted. Currently, the Mayan Riviera is served primarily by Cancun International Airport. We have no further details on the construction or projected opening of the airport and are unable to predict the effect that it may have on our passenger traffic or operating results if the project is successfully carried out. Any competition from this or other such airports could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations. Generally, the grant of a concession for a new or existing airport is required to be made pursuant to a public bidding process. In the event that a competing concession is offered in a public bidding process, it is currently our intention to participate in such process, but we cannot assure you that we will participate, that we would be successful if we did participate or that the Federal Competition Commission will permit us to participate in the bidding process. In addition, in certain circumstances, the Mexican government can grant concessions without conducting a public bidding process. Furthermore, the Federal Competition Commission has the power, under certain circumstances, to reject awards of concessions granted by the government. Please see “Item 4. Information on the Company–Regulatory Framework–Grants of New Concessions” below. Grants of new concessions that compete with our airports could adversely affect our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition.

*We provide a public service regulated by the Mexican government and our flexibility in managing our aeronautical activities is limited by the regulatory environment in which we operate.*

Our aeronautical fees charged to airlines and passengers are, like most airports in other countries, regulated. In 2007, approximately 67.9% of our total revenues were earned from aeronautical services, which are subject to price regulation under our maximum rates. These regulations may limit our flexibility in operating our aeronautical activities, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, prospects and financial condition. In addition, several of the regulations applicable to our operations and that affect our profitability are authorized (as in the case of our master development programs) or established (as in the case of our maximum rates) by the Ministry of Communications and Transportation for five-year terms. Except under limited circumstances, we generally do not have the ability unilaterally to change our obligations (such as the investment obligations under our master development programs or the obligation under concessions to provide a public service) or increase our maximum rates applicable under those regulations should our passenger traffic or other assumptions on which the regulations were based change during the applicable term. In addition, there can be no assurance that this price regulation system will not be amended in a manner that would cause additional sources of our revenues to be regulated.

*We cannot predict how the regulations governing our business will be applied.*

Many of the laws, regulations and instruments that regulate our business were adopted or became effective in 1999, and there is only a limited history that would allow us to predict the impact of these legal requirements on our future operations. In addition, although Mexican law establishes ranges of sanctions that might be imposed should we fail to comply with the terms of one of our concessions, the Mexican Airport Law and its regulations or other applicable law, we cannot predict the sanctions that are likely to be assessed for a given violation within these ranges. We cannot assure you that we will not encounter difficulties in complying with these laws, regulations and instruments. Moreover, there can be no assurance that the laws and regulations governing our business will not change.

The Ministry of Communications and Transportation has announced that it intends to establish a new, independent regulatory agency to supervise the operation of our airports, as well as those of other airports that have been opened to private investment. Likewise, a recent bill in Mexico's Congress proposes to establish a Federal Airport Services Commission. For further information on this agency, see "Item 4. Information on the Company-Regulatory Framework-New Regulatory Agency." We cannot predict whether or when this new agency will be organized, the scope of its authority, the actions that it will take in the future or the effect of any such actions on our business.

*If we exceed the maximum rate at any airport at the end of any year, we could be subject to sanctions.*

Historically, we have set the prices we charge for regulated services at each airport as close as possible to the prices we are allowed to charge under the maximum rate for that airport. We expect to continue to pursue this pricing strategy in the future. For example, in 2007, our revenues subject to maximum rate regulation represented 97.6% of the amount we were entitled to earn under the maximum rates for all of our airports. There can be no assurance that we will be able to establish prices in the future that allow us to collect virtually all of the revenue we are entitled to earn from services subject to price regulation.

The specific prices we charge for regulated services are determined based on various factors, including projections of passenger traffic volumes, the Mexican producer price index (excluding petroleum) and the value of the peso relative to the U.S. dollar. These variables are outside of our control. Our projections could differ from the applicable actual data, and, if these differences occur at the end of any year, they could cause us to exceed the maximum rate at any one or more of our airports during that year.

If we exceed the maximum rate at any airport at the end of any year, the Ministry of Communications and Transportation may assess a fine and may reduce the maximum rate at that airport in the subsequent year. The imposition of sanctions for violations of certain terms of a concession, including for exceeding the airport's maximum rates, can result in termination of the concession if the relevant term has been violated and sanctions have been imposed at least three times. In the event that any one of our concessions is terminated, our other concessions may also be terminated.

*Depreciation of the peso may cause us to exceed our maximum rates.*

We aim to charge prices that are as close as possible to our maximum chargeable rates, and we are entitled to adjust our specific prices only once every six months (or earlier upon a cumulative increase of 5% in the Mexican producer price index (excluding petroleum)). However, we generally collect passenger charges from airlines 30 to 115 days following the date of each flight. Such tariffs for the services that we provide to international flights or international passengers are generally denominated in U.S. dollars but are paid in Mexican pesos based on the average exchange rate for the month prior to each flight. Accordingly, depreciation of the peso, particularly late in the year, could cause us to exceed the maximum rates at one or more of our airports, which could lead to the termination of one of our concessions. In the event that any one of our concessions is terminated, our other concessions may also be terminated.

#### **Risks Related to Mexico**

*Appreciation, depreciation or fluctuation of the peso relative to the U.S. dollar could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.*

Following the devaluation of the peso in December 1994 and the resulting economic crisis in Mexico, the aggregate passenger traffic volume in our airports in 1995 decreased as compared to the prior year, reflecting a decrease in domestic passenger traffic volume that more than offset an increase in international passenger traffic volume. Recently, the peso has increased in value against the U.S. dollar, which could lead to a decrease in international passenger traffic, which may not be offset by any increase in domestic passenger traffic. Any future significant appreciation or depreciation of the peso could impact our aggregate passenger traffic volume.

In addition, devaluation or depreciation of the peso against the U.S. dollar may adversely affect the dollar value of an investment in the ADSs and the Series B shares, as well as the dollar value of any dividend or other distributions that we may make.

As of December 31, 2007 less than 1.30% of our liabilities (U.S.\$2.58 million) were dollar-denominated. Although we currently intend to fund the investments required by our business strategy through cash flow from operations, we may incur dollar-denominated debt to finance all or a portion of these investments. A devaluation of the peso would increase the debt service cost of any dollar-denominated indebtedness that we may incur and result in foreign exchange losses.

Severe devaluation or depreciation of the peso, or government imposition of exchange controls, may also result in the disruption of the international foreign exchange markets and may limit our ability to transfer or to convert pesos into U.S. dollars and other currencies.

*Economic developments in Mexico may adversely affect our business and results of operations.*

Although a substantial portion of our revenues is derived from foreign tourism, domestic passengers in recent years have represented approximately half of the passenger traffic volume in our airports. In addition, all of our assets are located, and all of our operations are conducted, in Mexico. As a result, our business, financial condition and results of operation could be adversely affected by the general condition of the Mexican economy, by a devaluation of the peso, by inflation and high interest rates in Mexico, or by political developments in Mexico.

*Mexico has experienced adverse economic conditions.*

In the past, Mexico has experienced economic crises, caused by internal and external factors, characterized by exchange rate instability (including large devaluations), high inflation, high domestic interest rates, economic contraction, a reduction of international capital flows, a reduction of liquidity in the banking sector and high unemployment rates. We cannot assume that such conditions will not return or that such conditions will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Mexico experienced a period of slow growth from 2001 through 2003, primarily as a result of the downturn in the U.S. economy. In 2001, Mexico's GDP declined by 0.2%, while inflation reached 4.4%. In 2002, GDP grew by 0.9% and inflation reached 5.7%. In 2003, GDP grew by 1.4% and inflation was 4.0%. In 2004, GDP grew by 4.2% and inflation increased to 5.2%. In 2005, GDP grew by approximately 2.8% and inflation decreased to 3.3%. In 2006, GDP grew by approximately 4.8% and inflation reached 4.1%. In 2007, GDP grew by approximately 3.3% and inflation declined to 3.8%.

Mexico also has, and is expected to continue to have, high real and nominal interest rates. The annualized interest rates on 28 day Mexican treasury securities averaged approximately 11.3%, 7.1%, 6.2%, 6.8%, 9.2%, 7.2% and 7.2% for 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively. To the extent that we incur Peso-denominated debt in the future, it could be at high interest rates.

If the Mexican economy falls into a recession, if inflation or interest rates increase significantly or the Mexican economy is otherwise adversely impacted, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

*Political conditions in Mexico could materially and adversely affect Mexican economic policy and, in turn, our operations.*

National elections held on July 2, 2000 ended 71 years of rule by the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) with the election of President Vicente Fox Quesada, a member of the National Action Party (PAN) and resulted in the increased representation of opposition parties in the Mexican Congress and in mayoral and gubernatorial positions. On July 2, 2006, Felipe Calderon Hinojosa, also of the PAN, was elected to succeed him. No single party currently has a majority in the Congress or Senate. This shift in political power has transformed Mexico from a one-party state to a pluralist democracy. Multiparty rule is still relatively new in Mexico and could result in economic or political conditions that could materially and adversely affect our operations. The lack of a majority party in the legislature and the current lack of alignment between the legislature and the President could result in instability or deadlock.

*Increased environmental regulation and enforcement in Mexico may affect us.*

The level of environmental regulation in Mexico has significantly increased in recent years, and the enforcement of environmental laws is becoming substantially more stringent. We expect this trend to continue and to be stimulated by international agreements between Mexico and the United States. There can be no assurance that environmental regulations or their enforcement will not change in a manner that could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, prospects or financial condition.

*Developments in other countries may affect the prices of securities issued by Mexican companies.*

The Mexican economy may be, to varying degrees, affected by economic and market conditions in other countries. Although economic conditions in other countries may differ significantly from economic conditions in Mexico, investors' reactions to adverse developments in other countries may have an adverse effect on the market value of securities of Mexican issuers. In October 1997, prices of both Mexican debt and equity securities decreased substantially as a result of the sharp drop in Asian securities markets. Similarly, in the second half of 1998 and in early 1999, prices of Mexican securities were adversely affected by the economic crises in Russia and Brazil. The Mexican debt and equities markets also have been adversely affected by ongoing developments in the global credit markets.

In addition, in recent years economic conditions in Mexico have become increasingly correlated with economic conditions in the United States as a result of NAFTA and increased economic activity between the two countries. Therefore, adverse economic conditions in the United States, the termination of NAFTA or other related events could have a material adverse effect on the Mexican economy. We cannot assure you that events in other emerging market countries, in the United States or elsewhere will not materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations.

*Corporate disclosure.*

A principal objective of the securities laws of the United States, Mexico, and other countries is to promote full and fair disclosure of all material corporate information, including accounting information. However, there may be different or less publicly available information about issuers of securities in Mexico than is regularly made available by public companies in countries with highly developed capital markets, including the United States.

In addition, accounting standards and disclosure requirements in Mexico differ from those of the United States. In particular, our Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with Mexican FRS, which differs from U.S. GAAP in a number of respects. Items on the financial statements of a company prepared in accordance with Mexican FRS may not reflect its financial position or results of operations in the way they would be reflected had such financial statements been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

*Mexican law and our bylaws restrict the ability of non-Mexican shareholders to invoke the protection of their governments with respect to their rights as shareholders.*

As required by Mexican law, our bylaws provide that non-Mexican shareholders shall be considered as Mexicans in respect of their ownership interests in ASUR and shall be deemed to have agreed not to invoke the protection of their governments in certain circumstances. Under this provision, a non-Mexican shareholder is deemed to have agreed not to invoke the protection of his own government by asking such government to interpose a diplomatic claim against the Mexican government with respect to the shareholder's rights as a shareholder, but is not deemed to have waived any other rights it may have, including any rights under the U.S. securities laws, with respect to its investment in ASUR. If you invoke such governmental protection in violation of this agreement, your shares could be forfeited to the Mexican government.

*It may be difficult to enforce civil liabilities against us or our directors, officers and controlling persons.*

ASUR is organized under the laws of Mexico, with its principal place of business (*domicilio social*) in Mexico City, and most of our directors, officers and controlling persons reside outside the United States. In addition, all or a substantial portion of our assets and their assets are located outside of the United States. As a result, it may be difficult for investors to effect service of process within the United States on such persons or to enforce judgments against them, including in any action based on civil liabilities under the U.S. federal securities laws. There is doubt as to the enforceability against such persons in Mexico, whether in original actions or in actions to enforce judgments of U.S. courts, of liabilities based solely on the U.S. federal securities laws.

*The protections afforded to minority shareholders in Mexico are different from those in the United States.*

Under Mexican law, the protections afforded to minority shareholders are different from those in the United States. In particular, the law concerning fiduciary duties of directors is not as fully developed as in other jurisdictions, there is no procedure for class actions, and there are different procedural requirements for bringing shareholder lawsuits. As a result, in practice it may be more difficult for minority shareholders of ASUR to enforce their rights against us or our directors or controlling shareholder than it would be for shareholders of a company incorporated in another jurisdiction, such as the United States.



## **Risks Related to Our ADSs**

*You may not be entitled to participate in future preemptive rights offerings.*

Under Mexican law, if we issue new shares for cash as part of a capital increase, we generally must grant our shareholders the right to purchase a sufficient number of shares to maintain their existing ownership percentage in ASUR. Rights to purchase shares in these circumstances are known as preemptive rights. We may not legally be permitted to allow holders of ADSs in the United States to exercise any preemptive rights in any future capital increase unless we file a registration statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, with respect to that future issuance of shares, or the offering qualifies for an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

At the time of any future capital increase, we will evaluate the costs and potential liabilities associated with filing a registration statement with the SEC and any other factors that we consider important to determine whether we will file such a registration statement.

We cannot assure you that we will file a registration statement with the SEC to allow holders of ADSs or shares in the United States to participate in a preemptive rights offering. In addition, under current Mexican law, sales by the depository of preemptive rights and distribution of the proceeds from such sales to you, the ADS holders, is not possible. As a result, your equity interest in ASUR may be diluted proportionately.

*Holders of ADSs are not entitled to attend shareholders' meetings, and they may only vote through the depository.*

Under Mexican law, a shareholder is required to deposit its shares with the Secretary of the Company, the S.D. Indeval Institución para el Depósito de Valores, S.A. de C.V., a Mexican or foreign credit institution or a brokerage house in order to attend a shareholders' meeting. A holder of ADSs will not be able to meet this requirement, and accordingly is not entitled to attend shareholders' meetings. A holder of ADSs is entitled to instruct the depository as to how to vote the shares represented by ADSs, in accordance with the procedures provided for in the deposit agreement, but a holder of ADSs will not be able to vote its shares directly at a shareholders' meeting or to appoint a proxy to do so.

## FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 20-F contains forward-looking statements. We may from time to time make forward-looking statements in our periodic reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Forms 20-F and 6-K, in our annual report to shareholders, in offering circulars and prospectuses, in press releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by our officers, directors or employees to analysts, institutional investors, representatives of the media and others. Examples of such forward-looking statements include:

- projections of operating revenues, net income (loss), net income (loss) per share, capital expenditures, dividends, capital structure or other financial items or ratios,
- statements of our plans, objectives or goals,
- statements about our future economic performance or that of Mexico or other countries in which we operate, and
- statements of assumptions underlying such statements.

Words such as “believe,” “anticipate,” “plan,” “expect,” “intend,” “target,” “estimate,” “project,” “predict,” “forecast,” “guideline,” “should” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements.

Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. We caution you that a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements. These factors, some of which are discussed above under “Risk Factors,” include material changes in the performance or terms of our concessions, developments in legal proceedings, economic and political conditions and government policies in Mexico or elsewhere, inflation rates, exchange rates, regulatory developments, customer demand and competition. We caution you that the foregoing list of factors is not exclusive and that other risks and uncertainties may cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we do not undertake any obligation to update them in light of new information or future developments.

## Item 4. Information on the Company

### HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPANY

Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste, S.A.B. de C.V., or ASUR, is a corporation (*sociedad anónima bursátil de capital variable*) organized under the laws of Mexico. We were incorporated in 1998 as part of the Mexican government’s program for the opening of Mexico’s airports to private-sector investment. The duration of our corporate existence is indefinite. We are a holding company and conduct all of our operations through our subsidiaries. The terms “ASUR,” “we” and “our” in this annual report refer both to Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste, S.A.B. de C.V. as well as Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste, S.A.B. de C.V. together with its subsidiaries. Our registered office is located at Bosque de Alisos No. 47A, Bosques de las Lomas, 05120 México, D.F., Mexico, telephone (5255) 5284-0400.