

Antonio-Agostinho-Neto International Airport (IATA: PNR, ICAO: FCPP) is an airport serving Pointe-Noire, a coastal city in the Republic of the Congo. The runway is surrounded by the densely populated city, and is 3 kilometres (1.9 mi) inland from the Atlantic shore. The Pointe Noire VOR-DME is located on the field.[3]

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History[edit]

The airport was inaugurated in 1934; a new passenger terminal opened in 2006.

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Airlines Destinations

Afrijet Libreville

Air Côte d'Ivoire Abidjan, Libreville[4]

Air France Paris–Charles de Gaulle

ASKY Airlines Kinshasa–N'djili, Lomé[5]

Canadian Airways Congo Brazzaville[6][7]

CEIBA Intercontinental Libreville, Malabo

Equaflight Port-Gentil[8]

Ethiopian Airlines Addis Ababa

Trans Air Congo Brazzaville, Cotonou, Douala, Libreville[9]

Turkish Airlines Istanbul[10]

Cargo[edit]

Airlines Destinations

Air France Cargo Paris–Charles de Gaulle

Ethiopian Airlines Cargo Addis Ababa, Liège, Luxembourg[11]

Accidents and incidents[edit]

On 4 June 1969, a Douglas DC-3 of the Direcção de Exploração dos Transportes Aéreos was hijacked on a domestic flight from N'Zeto airport to Soyo Airport, Angola. The aircraft landed at Pointe Noire.[12]

On 11 March 1994, Aéro-Service Swearingen Merlin TN-ADP was written off in a landing accident when the crew neglected to lower the undercarriage.[13]

On 10 May 2007, Tenir Air Ilyushin Il-76TD EX-093 was destroyed in a fire whilst being loaded for a cargo fire.[14]

On 15 September 2007, Veteran Airline Antonov An-12B UR-CEN was damaged beyond economic repair in a fire which occurred when the engines were being started.[15]

On 25 January 2008, Canadian Airways Congo Boeing 727-247 9L-LEF was damaged

beyond economic repair when it was struck on the ground by Aéro-Service Antonov An-12BP EK-11660 which suffered a brake failure while taxiing. The An-12 was also damaged beyond economic repair,[16][17] but there were no injuries reported.

On 10 November 2008, Veteran Airline Antonov An-12 UR-PLV suffered an in-flight fire. A safe landing was made at Pointe-Noire but the aircraft was subsequently destroyed by fire.[18]

On 21 March 2011, Trans Air Congo Antonov An-12 TN-AGK crashed on approach to Pointe Noire airport. All four crew were killed, as well as a number of people on the ground.[19]

On 11 April 2020, an unoccupied Air France Airbus A330 F-GZCK was damaged by two gunshots while on the ground at Pointe Noire airport. The aircraft had been assisting in repatriation efforts during the 2019–20 coronavirus pandemic.[20]

See also[edit]

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