

The air service should contribute to increased trade between Canada and Taiwan, Canada's fourth most important trade partner in the Asia-Pacific region, with total two-way trade in 1990 valued at C\$2.9 billion.

Canadian Airlines began its Vancouver-Taipei service in December 1990. Mandarin Airlines will begin its service on December 7, 1991.

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