

11/19/2010: Groundbreaking Ceremony for Delta Airlines

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Senator Shirley L. Huntley (D-Jamaica)

Congressman Gregory Meeks (D-NY-6)

What: Groundbreaking Ceremony for Delta Airlines Terminal 4 @ JFK Airport

When: Friday, November 19, 2010 @ 9:30 AM

Where: JFK Airport, Terminal 4

Jamaica, New York 11430

(Jamaica, NY)- Today, Senate President Malcolm A. Smith joined Delta Airlines, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and John F. Kennedy (JFK) Air Terminal as they broke ground on their \$1.2 billion expansion of Terminal 4 at JFK Airport.

The project is expected to generate 10,000 jobs in the New York Metro Region through direct airport jobs and construction related work by 2014.

In addition to creating jobs and stimulating the economy, the expansion will create a stateof-the art terminal, replacing outdated facilities, enhancing the travel experience for millions of Delta customers traveling through New York.

"The expansion of Terminal 4 at JFK Airport is a welcome economic development project that will generate employment opportunities in our community," Senate President Pro-Tempore Malcolm A. Smith said. "This substantial investment not only stimulates our local economy, it will significantly improve air travel for the 11 million passengers who utilize the Delta terminal at JFK each year. I commend Delta Airlines, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and John F. Kennedy (JFK) Air Terminal for breaking ground today on this exciting project."

Completion of phase one and relocation of Delta's Terminal operations to Terminal 4 is anticipated to be completed by May 2013.