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Akerman Secures Approvals for Private U.S.-Cuba Charter Flights by M2Jets

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Private Jet Company Flies its First Passengers to Cuba for Historic U.S. Embassy Re-Opening

Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, assisted M2Jets, a premier New York-based full service private aviation company, in establishing private jet service to Cuba for licensed travelers. The firm was able to swiftly secure landing rights and necessary approvals with the U.S. and Cuban governments for M2Jets to fly its maiden voyage during a historic week for U.S.-Cuba relations. The neighboring nations celebrated the reopening of the U.S. embassy in Havana.

The first flight to Cuba, on August 11, 2015, establishes M2Jets as part of a select group of private charter companies to provide services to the island.

"M2Jets is excited to be a leader in the path to organizing private jet charters to Cuba," said Moshe Malamud, M2Jets Founder. "This week opens a new world to our clients. Our clients want an aircraft that will be available to them exactly when and where they need it. We have now added Cuba to that list!"

Akerman has represented American travel and carrier servicers to Cuba for more than a decade. The team who assisted M2Jets included International Practice Chair Pedro Freyre, Cuba

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Akerman has been at the cutting edge of Cuba policy for a decade, leading frontline discussions among the U.S. government and industry leaders on the future of U.S.—Cuba relations. The Cuba Practice has a long-established track record of counseling U.S. and foreign companies with business interests on the island. Akerman lawyers and government affairs professionals routinely handle complex Cuba-related matters, leveraging relationships with officials at the U.S. departments of State, Commerce, and Treasury, as well as high-level relationships in Cuba. The team provides industry-leading legal and regulatory guidance, market research, business intelligence, government affairs support, and overall project management for Cuba matters.

About M2Jets

M2Jets is a full service private aviation company specializing in private jet charters. With a unique blend of aviation expertise and world-class hospitality, a client-centric focus and exacting standards, we deliver the highest level of executive jet service while ensuring our client's safety and security. M2Jets have developed an extensive database of aircraft available for charter ensuring availability and preferred pricing for our air charter customers. M2Jets Charter Specialists are on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to facilitate private jet

charter needs. As experts in the field, we consistently provide the best executive jet services to our clients.