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**STATEMENT OF GLOBAL GATEWAY ALLIANCE
ON BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS RELEASE TODAY OF LATEST NATIONAL
FLIGHT DELAY DATA**

“Today’s [Bureau of Transportation Statistics data](#) shows the worst airline on time performance in 18 years. Even more significant to the region, our own Newark Airport is the most delayed airport in the country, with more than 1/3 of all flights late. No further proof is necessary: the FAA needs to make the New York City region its top priority for the full implementation of NextGen technology that will replace decades old radar systems and finally help relieve gridlock in the sky.

The Federal Government must understand how critical relieving delays is to our region’s economy and quality of life, and do more to help local leaders working to give our passengers back lost minutes and hours.”

-Stephen Sigmund

Executive Director, Global Gateway Alliance

ABOUT GGA The Global Gateway Alliance: The Global Gateway Alliance (GGA), was established to address the major challenges facing the metropolitan region’s airports and related infrastructure that, if left unaddressed, will serve as a major impediment to the long-term growth of New York City and surrounding areas. By harnessing the expertise of leaders in business, government, academia, labor and other sectors, we seek to tackle these challenges head-on and serve as the leading advocate in an effort to improve our airports and facilitate the continued growth of the region. For more information regarding the Global Gateway Alliance, please visit the website www.globalgatewayalliance.org, or email info@globalgatewayalliance.org. Follow GGA on Twitter @GGA_NYNJ and ‘Like’ the organization on Facebook at <http://on.fb.me/UsqxGw>.

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