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**BEUMER Group’s tote-based baggage handling solution the preferred choice for Kuwait City’s iconic Terminal 2 international airport project**

**Key facts:**

* **System combines CrisBag®, CrisStore® and CrisBelt® technology**
* **Integrated in-tote baggage screening and dynamic early baggage storage**
* **New T2 will be part of Kuwait Airport's new mega city**
* **BEUMER to maintain the BHS once live**

Kuwait International Airport has opted for a tote-based baggage handling system for its iconic new Terminal 2 airport project, which brings together the best of contemporary design and technology. Once operational, it will bring Kuwait to the forefront of global aviation.

The BEUMER Group, a leading global supplier of automated baggage handling systems (BHS), is providing the bespoke BHS based on its technology range. Designed specifically to meet the various demands of the new hub, which includes fast transfer times, the new system will incorporate industry-leading technology such as in-tote hold baggage screening (HBS) and an 1800-position early baggage storage (EBS) CrisStore® function.

The new terminal’s state-of-the-art BHS with the CrisBag® system, will overcome various challenges through the use of BEUMER Group’s advanced high and low-level control system, which will be key to ensuring a flexible and reliable performance when handling major baggage flows.

Explaining Kuwait’s decision to build one of the world’s most innovative and advanced airports, Sheikh Salman Sabah Salem al-Humoud al-Sabah, Kuwait’s Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), says that the new USD 12 billion mega-hub will meet the rapid growth in air traffic in the region.

In a statement released last year at the Kuwait Investment Forum, he predicted, "Kuwait will witness a rapid growth in passenger and cargo movements in the coming 20 years. To keep pace with this growth, the DGCA has also revamped the existing airport through a number of projects, such as the construction of the new passenger Terminal 2.”

Given Kuwait Airport’s strategic location, the new airport, which is scheduled to be completed by 2022, is expected to serve as the region’s leading hub for traffic flowing between Africa, Europe, Asia, the Americas and the Middle East.

The new passenger terminal will have the capacity to handle 25 million passengers per year and accommodate all aircraft types through 51 gates and stands. Kuwait airport has contracted the BEUMER Group’s Middle East Customer Support Team to provide ongoing residential maintenance functions, with BEUMER Group specialists responsible for all day to day functions of the CrisBag® operation.

Klaus Toftgaard, CEO of BEUMER Group Middle East, applauds this decision, pointing out that this is by far and away the best strategy for the owner of a technologically-advanced BHS to ensure optimum efficiency. He stresses “this is now the solution being adopted by leading global airports, since it draws upon the in-depth knowledge of the system’s designer and builder to ensure that the system will continue to run smoothly, even in the most challenging environments.”

The Ministry of Public Works Kuwait is leading this prestigious project with Foster and Partners in association with Gulf Consult as the designers and Limak Insaat as the main contractor.

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