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## MERIDIAN AIR CHARTER ADDS GULSTREAM GIV-SP TO FLEET

Teterboro, NJ, March 28, 2016 – Meridian, the award-winning private aviation company based at Teterboro Airport in Teterboro, NJ, is pleased to announce the addition of a Gulfstream GIV-SP (N999AA) to its growing charter fleet of private business jets. This long range aircraft was completed in 1996 and the interior was completely upgraded and refurbished in 2009. It seats up to thirteen passengers, and has the capacity to sleep up to seven for long haul trips. It is based at Teterboro Airport, and is immediately available for charter (Certificate IMJA053F).

The Gulfstream GIV is a large cabin twinjet manufactured from 1985 until 2003 by Gulfstream Aerospace, a General Dynamics company. Gulfstream upgraded the GIV to the GIV-SP (Special Performance) configuration in 1992 with more reliable components, a 7,500 pound increase in the maximum landing weight, a 2,500 pound increase in the zero fuel weight, and was fitted with more robust brakes. It has a range of up to 4,860 statute miles with a maximum speed of 581 mph. The GIV's cockpit was the first civil aviation aircraft to feature digital flight management computers, which increased fuel efficiency while reducing pilot workload. The GIV was the Gulfstream flagship until the launch of the Gulfstream GV in 1995.

This GIV-SP comes fully-equipped with all of the features and amenities expected from today's discerning business traveler: leather club seating, a full galley with microwave and convection ovens, coffee maker, private lavatory with sink, and a separate lavatory for crew members. The aircraft also features the latest technology, including complimentary domestic Wifi, an inflight satellite phone system, large bulkhead monitors with Airshow® moving maps, individual viewing monitors, and a multimedia entertainment center that features Blu-Ray and CD players.

Dennis O'Connell, President of Meridian Air Charter, says, "We are very excited to be adding another long range aircraft to our charter fleet. Our fleet has been growing rapidly, especially in 2016. This Gulfstream GIV-SP will be the twenty-second charter aircraft on our certificate, and the third one added this year. We think that our clients will be impressed with the impeccably redesigned cabin which offers comfort and convenience to both business and leisure travelers. Another big advantage is that the aircraft does not require owner approval before booking, allowing for an expedited flight approval process."

Meridian currently manages a wide range of aircraft types that are available for private charter: Global 5000, Gulfstream G550, Gulfstream GIV-SP, Falcon 7X, Falcon 900EX EASy, Falcon 2000EX EASy, Falcon 2000, Challenger 605, Challenger 604, Challenger 601, Gulfstream G200, Hawker 900XP, Hawker 800XP, Citation XLS, and Citation VII. Other aircraft types can also be obtained through Meridian's extensive network of qualified operators.

#### About Meridian:

Meridian is a full-service, private aviation company based at Teterboro Airport (TEB) in Teterboro, NJ, located just minutes from New York City. Meridian owns and operates businesses that include Air Charter, Aircraft Management, Aircraft Maintenance, and a world-class Executive Terminal / FBO. We also have charter sales offices located throughout California, including Hayward Executive Airport (HWD), Van Nuys Airport (VNY), San Jose International Airport (SJC), and Sonoma County Airport (STS). In 2016, the company is planning to open its second FBO at Hayward Executive Airport (HWD) in Hayward, CA.

Meridian has earned numerous industry awards and accolades for its exceptional service and high safety standards: 2015 Best US & Northeast FBO by FltPlan.com; 2015 Best CSRs by *Professional Pilot* PRASE Survey (#3 for Victor Seda and #4 for Betsy Wines); 2015 Best FBO at TEB by AIN FBO Survey; 2015 Best FBO at TEB by *Professional Pilot* PRASE Survey; ARG/US Platinum Rated; IS-BAO Registered (Stage 2); Wyvern Wingman Certified.

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**Gulfstream GIV-SP – N999AA (Exterior)**



**Gulfstream GIV-SP – N999AA (Cabin - Aft View)**