



## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF TOURISM WEEKLY UPDATE

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### What's new in Dominican Republic:

- **Celebrity Golf Outing Tees off in Golf Capital of the Caribbean** | *Former Red Sox player and Dominican native David Ortiz alongside 400 notable guests raised \$1.2 million for the David Ortiz Children's Fund at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebrity Golf Classic at Casa de Campo in La Romana. With the country's 26 picturesque courses along the coast and inland it is no surprise Dominican Republic is the "it" destination for golf.*
- **Dominican Republic on Track to Welcome 1 Million Cruise Arrivals in 2017** | *For the first time, Dominican Republic is on track to welcome 1 million cruise passengers this year, according to leading international cruise news website Seatrade Cruise News. Santo Domingo is being recognized as a trending destination for cruise ship arrivals and has doubled its passenger count in the last three years.*
- **Puerto Plata Flight Arrivals Up 13 Percent** | Passenger arrivals to Gregorio Luperón International Airport increased 13.2 percent from January to October 2017, according to Aerodom. This trend is a reflection of the increase in tourism to the North Coast.

News releases, images and the press kit also can be accessed from the official DR Ministry of Tourism website: [www.GoDominicanRepublic.com](http://www.GoDominicanRepublic.com). For additional photos, b-roll and more specific needs, please contact Annie Holschuh ([annie.holschuh@bvk.com](mailto:annie.holschuh@bvk.com)) or Bridget Tisher ([bridget.tishler@bvk.com](mailto:bridget.tishler@bvk.com)), BVK Word for the Dominican Republic Ministry of Tourism.