

United Airlines inaugurated its new maintenance hangar at Galeão June 9th, 2023

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Photo: Jean Paul Prates via Twitter

A [United Airlines](#) started operating its newest maintenance hangar at Galeão Airport (GIG) yesterday (8), a place that once housed Varig Engenharia e MANUTENÇÃO (VEM) and TAP ME.

To celebrate the special feat, the airline used a Boeing 767-300 to 'inaugurate' the new maintenance site, which will also house aircraft from other companies as required. The fact was celebrated on a social network by the current president of Petrobras, Jean Paul Prates.

United's newest hangar has a great history in the past, when it was the leader in aircraft maintenance in Latin America, including the possibility of receiving two Boeing 747 aircraft at the same time. The site carried out the maintenance of Varig planes, partner companies and even several air forces from Latin American countries, such as the FAB itself.

With the return of Galeão to the list of airports with a large maintenance hangar, Prates recalled that the end of TAP ME operations in 2022 resulted in several lost jobs, however, United's investment could put Rio de Janeiro back on the radar.

