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## Hopkins Comments on United-Continental Merger

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KTRH Radio in Houston interviewed [Jeff Hopkins](#) on United Airlines merger with Continental Airlines in a share swap valued at more than \$3 billion, a deal that would create the world's largest airline.

To listen to the interview, click [here](#).

The boards of directors of both companies approved the merger Sunday afternoon. The combined company—which would use the United name—would be nearly 8% larger than Delta Air Lines Inc. in traffic, as measured by the number of miles flown by paying passengers world-wide, including commuter affiliates. It would command 21% of seats in the U.S. market, versus Delta's 20% share since it vaulted to the top spot with its 2008 acquisition of Northwest Airlines.

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