BUDGET STRETCHING TRAVEL IDEAS

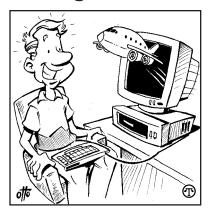
Tips on Travel Bargains

(NAPSA)—To get the most for your vacation or business-travel dollar, it may pay to follow the trail of travel industry insiders. They get phenomenal bargains and use their knowledge to help others discover a simple way to save and a smart way to travel.

• Become a travel agent. Travel agents get extravagant discounts on rooms, meals, and more, and "industry perks" like airline upgrades and VIP treatment.

One agency has harnessed this power for today's consumers—who often act as travel agents already, by researching prices and making reservations online. For \$495, which can be quickly recovered in discounts, the agency, Global Travel International, grants you travel agent status. You get the benefits of being a travel agent with no studying or work involved.

- Get paid to take vacations. As a travel agent, you can book reservations by phone, fax, online on your free Web site provided by Global Travel and earn cash back on your own travel. You can also use the services of this travel company's 200 experienced, inhouse travel agents who do just about everything for you. Either way, the travel agency shares the commission with you and pays cash for recommending this kind of travel to friends. The company, serving more than 350,000 customers does all the work and you get paid for traveling and sharing your knowledge.
- Invest in thrifty travel books such as *Travel Asset*, and then



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never travel without them. For less than \$50, the hotel guides entitle you to deep discounts at more than 8,000 top-rated hotels worldwide. Entertainment books offer similar deep and varied discounts.

- Don't pay to plan. Eighty-eight percent of travel agencies charge fees to plan a trip or issue an airline ticket. Global Travel's agents do it free, and then share the commission with you.
- Consider that large agencies like Global Travel—which sells more travel than 99 percent of travel companies worldwide—are in a good position to negotiate money-saving volume deals with suppliers and pass the savings on to you. GTI has nine expertly-staffed, different departments, to meet your needs.

To become a travel industry "insider" consult GTI's experts at 800-951-5977 or www.global travel.com.