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WASHINGTON, Dec. 18, 2017 – The Boeing Company released the following statement regarding today's public hearing at the International Trade Commission (ITC) on Bombardier's illegal business practices with its C Series aircraft and how those practices have harmed U.S. domestic industry.

"Boeing brought this case seeking enforcement of U.S. trade law, which mirrors the widely-accepted rules of international trade adopted by most WTO member nations, including Canada. The resulting Department of Commerce and ITC investigations are part of a longstanding, transparent, and rigorous fact-based process for resolving precisely these sorts of commercial trade disputes. Today's hearing was simply the next step in that process, as the ITC considered extensive evidence that underscored the harm Bombardier's unlawful actions have caused U.S. industry.

"These investigations have already established beyond question that Bombardier has taken billions of dollars in illegal government subsidies to prop up its C Series program. The C Series would not even exist at this point but for those subsidies. The investigations have also left no doubt Bombardier used these government funds to dump aircraft into the U.S. market at absurdly low prices, millions below their cost of production and millions below the price of the same aircraft in Canada. Bombardier's conduct is flatly inconsistent with U.S. trade law, and it has caused severe harm to Boeing, its employees, and its suppliers.

"Boeing welcomes competition, but it must be competition on a level playing field. Bombardier can sell their aircraft anywhere in the world, so long as they follow the law and comply with the trade rules we have all agreed to."