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Singapore Airlines, which celebrates its 50th anniversary this year, today took delivery of its first Boeing 777. The airplane is the first of seventy-seven 777s, valued at \$12.7 billion, the airline ordered in November, 1995. SIA has 34 firm orders and 43 options for the market-leading 777.

"Singapore Airlines is one of the world's great airlines," said Ron Woodard, president, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, traveling non-stop on the 777-200 bound for arrival ceremonies in Singapore on May 7. "In terms of product and service, they demand the best, and we believe that's why they chose the Boeing 777."

Powered by Rolls-Royce Trent 800 series engines, SIA's 777-200 has a tri-class configuration, which will accommodate 288 passengers. SIA can choose its future deliveries from any one of the growing number of 777 models, which offer range capability of 4,350 to 9,735 statute miles and passenger capacity of 288 to 394 in a tri-class configuration.

Singapore Airlines currently operates 50 Boeing jetliners and has been a Boeing customer for 27 years. As of May 6, 1997, 63 Boeing 777s have been delivered to customers around the world. The 777 family of airplanes has attracted 323 orders from 25 customers.

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