Royal Air Maroc Accepts Its First Boeing Next-Generation 737-700

Royal Air Maroc (RAM) - the national carrier of Morocco - received its first Boeing Next-Generation 737-700 twinjet today. Based in Casablanca, RAM was the first airline in the Mediterranean region to order the advanced-technology jetliner.

"The Boeing 737-700 will be a great addition to our current 737-800 fleet," said Mohammed Hassad, chairman and CEO of Royal Air Maroc. "The commonality, flexibility and reliability of the new 737 family offer us the opportunity to satisfy our unique market requirements."

"The Next-Generation 737-800s in our fleet have already demonstrated their excellent reliability," said Capt. Mohammed El Yaalaoui, senior vice president - Royal Air Maroc Flight Operations."

The Boeing Next-Generation 737 delivers high reliability, reduced operating and maintenance costs and flight deck commonality. The flight deck features a programmable liquid crystal display (LCD) system, offering commonality with earlier 737 models and allowing flight crews to maintain the same type ratings.

"Royal Air Maroc has become a regional leader by acquiring and operating Boeing airplanes," said Seddik Belyamani, executive vice president - Boeing Commercial Airplanes Group. "Last year, Royal Air Maroc became the first non-U.S. regular service operator of the Boeing 737-800, and with this 737-700 delivery, RAM becomes the first in its region to demonstrate the commonality benefits of the entire Next-Generation 737 family."

Royal Air Maroc configured its first 737-700 to carry 120 passengers - 12 in Zenith (business) class and 108 in the tourist section.

The Boeing Next-Generation 737 is the most advanced airplane in its class. With more than 1,130 airplanes ordered by 57 customers worldwide, it is the fastest-selling commercial airplane family in history.

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