Director Space & Communications for Russia and CIS named

The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] has named Vladimir Titov as Director for Space and Communications, Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS).

Titov, a former cosmonaut, will be located in the Boeing Moscow office. In his new capacity Titov will be responsible for optimizing and coordinating Boeing Space and Communications resources throughout the region and provide support for all space related activities. This function includes coordination of new business development; in-country administration; logistics; and working with other business areas including local government organizations.

"The Boeing Company is committed to our friends and business partners in this region, and I believe this appointment exemplifies this commitment," said Jim Albaugh, president of Boeing Space and Communications. "We are fortunate to have Vladimir with his breadth of expertise, overseeing our interests in this region. In addition to initiating new business opportunities, he will work closely with our International Space Station team members and our Russian and Ukrainian partners on the Sea Launch program."

"We are extremely pleased to have such an outstanding individual onboard with us, working in a region where he is considered a national hero," said John Lorber, Boeing vice president, for International Business Development. " I'm certain that his wealth of experience and unique talents in the aerospace arena will strengthen our business ties as well as our friendly relations with Russia and the CIS."

Titov was selected to join the cosmonaut team in 1976 and made his first space flight on April 20, 1983. He commanded several Soyuz missions, served as a mission specialist on two Space Shuttle missions, and lived for extended periods aboard the Mir space station. Titov has logged more than 387 days in space, including 18 hours and 48 minutes of Extravehicular Activity (EVA).

Titov has also served as pilot-instructor and flight commander for cosmonaut flight training. He has logged more than 1,400 hours flying time and holds qualifications as a military and test pilot.

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