Boeing Delivers 737-400s to CSA Czech Airlines

Boeing announced today the delivery of two 737-400 airplanes to CSA Czech Airlines. Scheduled for arrival in Prague over the past weekend, the airplanes are CSA's sixth and seventh Boeing 737-400s and the 16th and 17th 737s to enter the airline's fleet. Boeing 737s comprise more that half of the CSA fleet and the airline has been a 737 operator since 1992.

"We are very proud to participate in this historic delivery," said Tomas Heczko, CSA vice president - technical. "The Boeing 737 is the backbone of our fleet and we look forward to its continuing reliable, safe and economical operation."

Established in 1923, the airline boasts one of the youngest airplane fleets in Europe, with an average airplane age of less than five years. CSA is based at Prague-Ruzyne Airport and offers connections to major European cities and destinations in North America, Asia, the Middle East and North Africa.

"Boeing is proud to count CSA Czech Airlines among its most valued customers," said Ulrich Fischer, Boeing sales director - Europe. "Over the years, we have worked to continuously improve the Boeing 737 with the hope it will serve customers like CSA well into the future."

The new CSA 737-400s are configured to seat up to 141 passengers in a cabin with adjustable seat rows that allow easy conversion between single and two-class operation. Each 737-400 is powered by two CFM56 turbofans, produced by CFM International, and has a flight range of 2,390 statute miles (3850 km) at a cruise speed of 495 miles per hour (800 km/hour).

The two 737-400s are the last models of the Classic 737 series to be produced by Boeing on the Renton plant assembly line. Boeing introduced the Classic 737 series with the first 737-300 delivery in 1984. The first delivery of the larger 737-400 followed in 1988, and deliveries of the smaller 737-500 began in 1990.

The Renton factory continues to produce advanced technology Next-Generation 737 models (737-600/-700/-800/-900) and two models of the Boeing 757 .

With nearly 4,500 total orders and more than 3,600 deliveries, the Boeing 737 is the best-selling commercial jetliner of all time. More than 1000 737s are in the air at any time, with one taking off every 5.5 seconds.

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