Boeing Confirms ILFC Order For 50 Airplanes

The Boeing Company today confirmed an order from International Lease Finance Corporation (ILFC) for 50 Next-Generation 737s, bringing ILFC's total orders for the 737 family to 387.

Today's is the second part of an agreement ILFC first announced last year to order up to 100 737s, consisting of 50 firm orders and this reconfirmable block for 50 additional airplanes. Total ILFC orders with Boeing now number 604 airplanes.

This order was accounted for in cumulative order totals published recently by Boeing. Until this announcement, the customer for the order was listed as "unidentified."

"We are very pleased with ILFC's repeat selection of the high technology Next-Generation 737 and especially pleased to see that ILFC is successfully expanding the customer base of the Next-Generation 737 to airlines around the world," said Seddik Belyamani, executive vice president - Sales and Marketing, Boeing Commercial Airplanes Group. "This order again validates the airplane's performance as well as the growing market acceptance and reliability of the new 737s."

Belyamani noted that ILFC was the first to place the Next-Generation 737 in Latin America, United Kingdom and China and continues to successfully place a full range of Boeing airplanes.

Since the launch of the Next-Generation 737 program, customers worldwide have ordered more than 1,450 of the advanced twinjets. It features the most advanced design technology in the single-aisle market and has proven itself with the highest dispatch reliability rate and lowest operating costs in its class. More than 1,000 737s are in the air at any time; one takes off somewhere in the world every 5.5 seconds.

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