Boeing Delivers Kenya Airways Its First 767

The Boeing Company today congratulates Kenya Airways for taking delivery of its first Boeing 767 airplane. The airplane, a 767-300ER (Extended Range), is the first of three that will be leased through an agreement with GE Capital Aviation Services (GECAS). GE Capital Aviation Services (GECAS) is the world's Premier aviation solutions provider with a portfolio of approximately 1100 planes with 170 customers in 60 countries.

"The 767s are perfectly suited for our long-haul intercontinental destinations," said Isaac Omolo Okero, chairman of Kenya Airways. "The versatility, economics and new enhanced interior of the airplane will expand the services and comfort we provide to our customers."

Boeing will deliver two additional 767s to the airline, one in June and one in July of this year. Kenya's 767-300ERs will seat 244 passengers, 24 in business and 220 in economy class. The airplanes will feature a 777-style interior, providing unmatched comfort and spaciousness for passengers, and personal in-seat entertainment systems.

"African air travel is growing rapidly, and we forecast that African airlines will need more than 400 airplanes over the next 20 years," said Doug Groseclose, vice president International Sales, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "Over the years the 767 has proven itself to be a be a popular choice with airlines around the world."

The 767 offers the lowest operating cost per trip of any widebody airplane and is one of the most popular twin-aisle airplanes ever built. There are more than 800 767 airplanes in service with 80 operators around the world.

Kenya Airways, one of the fastest growing and most profitable airlines in Africa, will use its fleet of 767s to fly to key destinations in Africa, Europe, the Middle East and Asia.

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