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Christopher W. Hansen, Boeing senior vice president, Government Relations, has elected to retire effective the end of June 2001.

"The last several years of my Boeing career have been very dynamic and challenging as we worked to grow and transform The Boeing Company. I was personally tasked by Boeing's senior leadership to consolidate the Washington offices of Boeing, McDonnell Douglas, Rockwell and Hughes into one cohesive organization, speaking with one voice in Washington, D.C. Today, we are there. The task is accomplished," said Hansen. "Now, with Boeing's support, I can move on to pursue other professional interests. I am very proud of the team effort, and I leave knowing that Boeing is well represented and ably prepared to face the future."

"As a member of Boeing's senior leadership team, Chris played a significant role in our efforts to reshape Boeing into the world's preeminent aerospace company and establish our future agenda," said Phil Condit, Boeing chairman and CEO.

Hansen was elected senior vice president of Government Relations and named a member of the company's Executive Council on Jan. 1, 1999.

Hansen joined the Boeing Congressional Affairs organization in May 1986. He held positions of increasing responsibility, including his appointment to the position of vice president of Congressional Affairs in January 1993. He was selected as vice president of the Washington Office in September 1994, and vice president of Government Affairs in 1997.

In 1974, Hansen arrived in Washington, D.C., where he represented a group of 20 major international business concerns before the U.S. Congress and the Executive Branch. He simultaneously helped direct a small international business trade association.

In 1975, Hansen joined the aerospace community by becoming a corporate employee of General Dynamics in their Washington, D.C., office. He held various positions of increasing responsibility, including corporate director of Washington Operations. In that capacity, he was responsible for Congressional Affairs, the daily operation of the Washington office, and the management of corporate marketing field offices nationwide.

Hansen received a bachelor's degree from the University of Denver and earned a master's in International Management from the American University Graduate School of International Management.

In addition to membership on the National Bureau of Asian Research Board of Directors, Hansen is a member of the Executive Committee of the U.S. Council of International Business as well as the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors for The Wolf Trap Foundation.

Born Dec. 7, 1948 in Boston, Hansen was raised in Peterborough, N.H.

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