FlightSafety Boeing, FlightSafety International, and VARIG to Offer Flight Training in Latin America

VARIG airlines of Brazil has selected FlightSafety Boeing Training International (FSB) and FlightSafety International (FSI) to provide simulators and training courseware. This will allow VARIG to continuously enhance their quality flight training services and conduct training for VARIG's new fleet of Boeing 737-700/-800s, 777s and Embraer 145s.

In a cooperative effort, FSB's Boeing 737-700/-800 and FSI's Embraer 145 full-flight simulators will be placed in VARIG's training facility in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil along with customized training materials, including Aerosim Flight Simulator Software, to support VARIG's transition and recurrent training objectives. Current and new Boeing 737 operators will now have a new training resource available in Latin America to meet their flight training requirements as a result of this cooperation.

FSB and VARIG will jointly market the FSB, FSI and VARIG simulators at the training facility in Latin America; while in North America, FSB will provide VARIG with Boeing 777 and DC-10 flight training in FSB training centers.

"VARIG is an ideal partner for FSB as we expand into Latin America," stated Gary Scott, President of FlightSafetyBoeing. "We are committed to ensuring that FSB can provide total training solutions to airline operators world-wide; and we intend to continue to increase training value to our customers including placing our simulators at customer locations."

Captain Alberto Fajerman, Executive Vice President - Flight Operations of VARIG echoed Mr. Scott's enthusiasm, "We are very proud to be associated with FlightSafetyBoeing. FSB listened to our challenges and desires and addressed these. FSB was the best training solution for our organization."

"This agreement between FSB and VARIG underscores the importance of the Latin American market to Boeing," said Daniel da Silva, Vice President of Sales for Latin America and the Caribbean for Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "By establishing a training opportunity in Brazil, Boeing continues to demonstrate its commitment to providing the best value for our customers in Latin America."

The Boeing 737-700/-800 and Embraer 145 full-flight simulators were manufactured to Level D standards by FlightSafety Simulation Systems Division, with the high definition VITAL ChromasViewPlus visual system manufactured by FlightSafety Visual Systems Division.

With 22 locations, and 70 full-flight simulators, FSB is the world's premier full-service provider of airline training. The independent company, co-owned by The Boeing Company and FlightSafety International, specializes in flight crew and maintenance technician training for airplanes of 100-seat capacity or more, including Boeing, McDonnell Douglas, Airbus Industrie and Fokker models. The company serves as the official training provider for Boeing Commercial Airplanes.

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