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**LONDON, May 5, 2009** – Boeing Defence UK Ltd. today announced the launch of a public Web site titled "[Dispatches From Afghanistan](#)" that features stories, photos and videos documenting the experiences of British and allied forces who fly or rely on Boeing [NYSE: BA] aircraft for their daily missions in Afghanistan.

Two Boeing employees traveled to Afghanistan in February as guests of the United Kingdom's Joint Helicopter Force Afghanistan in order to document British forces' varied uses of the Chinook and Apache helicopters and the C-17 airlifter.

"Boeing products, and our employees who deliver and help maintain them, are critical to supporting the UK military forces deployed in Afghanistan," said Mike Kurth, managing director of Boeing Defence UK. "At the heart of their strategic and tactical mobility are the C-17 and Chinook, respectively. In addition, Apaches are providing outstanding support across a wide range of missions. 'Dispatches From Afghanistan' is a great way to share these stories, which are especially important to our employees because they reinforce the close relationships we have with our customers."

Boeing employs more than 650 people at sites across the United Kingdom, from Almondbank, Scotland, to Gosport in the south of England. The Boeing Company's relationship with British industry, the armed forces and the air transport industry dates back more than 70 years.

Boeing Defence UK supports through-life system-of-systems programme management of complex defence programmes. Strong engineering, integration, and programme management characterise the delivery of capabilities that include through-life technology management, alliance development and supply chain management. A wholly-owned subsidiary of The Boeing Company supporting Integrated Defense Systems, Boeing Defence UK Ltd. currently has employees at 20 locations throughout the UK supporting Ministry of Defence and U.S. military programmes.

A business unit of The Boeing Company, Boeing [Integrated Defense Systems](#) is one of the world's largest space and defense businesses specializing in innovative and capabilities-driven customer solutions, and the world's largest and most versatile manufacturer of military aircraft. Headquartered in St. Louis, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is a \$32 billion business with 70,000 employees worldwide.

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