Boeing, Royal Jordanian Sign Order for Three Additional 787 Dreamliners

FARNBOROUGH, United Kingdom, July 20 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) and Royal Jordanian, the national carrier of Jordan, today signed an order for three 787-8s at the Farnborough International Airshow. The order is valued at approximately $500 million at list prices. This order previously was attributed to an unidentified customer on Boeing's Orders and Deliveries website.

Direct purchases and leases combined, Royal Jordanian has committed to 11 787-8s. The Middle East carrier placed its first orders for four 787s in 2007 and also has arranged to lease two airplanes each from CIT Aerospace and International Lease Finance Co.

Royal Jordanian was the first airline in the Middle East to order the 787 Dreamliner. It will place the 787 on North American routes initially, including New York, Chicago, Detroit and Toronto. Royal Jordanian has cited the 787's performance versatility and impressive economics as the main reasons behind its decision to replace its medium- and long-haul twin-aisle fleet solely with the 787.

"The superior economics and range capability of the 787 will allow us to competitively serve North America and other destinations in our network from Amman," said Hussein Dabbas, president and CEO of Royal Jordanian. "The unique passenger appeal of the 787 will enable us to provide a competitive advantage in the markets we serve."

"This commitment to the 787 by Royal Jordanian will allow for expanded routes and a customer experience second to none," said Jim Albaugh, president and CEO of Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "With the 787, Royal Jordanian will operate the world's most advanced and efficient twin-aisle airplane. We will work closely with Royal Jordanian as the airplane prepares to enter service and delight passengers."

Based in Amman, Jordan, Royal Jordanian became a member of the oneworld alliance in 2007.

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