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SEATTLE, Sept. 27 /PRNewswire/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) and Air China today announced an order for four 777-300ERs (Extended Range), which have a total average list price value of \$1.1 billion at current list prices.

"This is a great day in the history of our long and enduring partnership with Air China," said Marlin Dailey, vice president of Sales & Marketing for Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "Today's order of 777s also underscores Air China's confidence in the world's most successful twin-engine, long-haul airplane."

Air China, the flag carrier of the People's Republic of China, will use the airplanes to expand its international routes.

"The 777-300ER will be the backbone of our long-haul international fleet," said Fan Cheng, vice president of Air China. "The airplane's high efficiency and performance features will enable Air China to launch more direct long-haul routes to meet the increasing demand of our passengers."

The Boeing 777 is the world's most successful twin-engine, long-haul airplane. The 777-300ER extends the 777 family's span of capabilities, bringing twin-engine efficiency and reliability to the long-range market. The airplane carries 365 passengers up to 7,930 nautical miles (14,685 km).

Boeing incorporated several performance enhancements for the 777-300ER, extending its range and payload capabilities. Excellent performance during flight-testing, combined with engine efficiency improvements and design changes that reduce drag and airplane weight, contributed to the increased capability.

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