Boeing, Myanmar National Airlines Celebrate First Next-Generation 737-800 Delivery

New 737-800 leased from GECAS to expand national carrier's network, features new livery

SEATTLE, June 11, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) and Myanmar National Airlines celebrated the delivery of the airline's first Next-Generation 737-800 leased from GE Capital Aviation Services (GECAS), the commercial aircraft leasing arm of GE. The celebration also marked the first all-new Boeing airplane to be delivered to any Myanmar-based airline.

The airplane is the first to feature Myanmar National Airlines' new livery and interior, and the airline plans to expand its network outside Myanmar with the introduction of its 737.

"Our new 737 will allow us to expand our network to international markets and offer an even better experience for our passengers," said Myanmar National Airlines CEO Than Tun. "Investing in new technology aircraft such as the 737 will ensure Myanmar National Airlines continues to be the pride of the country and positions us for future success."

Myanmar National Airlines, previously Myanma Airways, has the most extensive route network withinMyanmar, serving more than 25 domestic locations, and is headquartered in Yangon. Founded in 1948 as Union of Burma Airways, the flag carrier is also one of Asia's pioneering airlines.

"Boeing is honored to be a part of this very important milestone for Myanmar National Airlines," said Dr.Dinesh Keskar, senior vice president of Asia Pacific and India Sales, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "A new, fuel efficient airplane such as the Next-Generation 737 will provide Myanmar National Airlines with the market-leading efficiency, reliability and passenger comfort, it needs to continue to prosper and grow in the region. We look forward to supporting their growth and prosperous future together."

The 737-800 is the best-selling version of the highly successful Next-Generation 737 family, the most reliable and technologically advanced airplanes in the single-aisle market.

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