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Thai airline transports school supplies, clothing to children in Thailand on Next-Generation 737-800 delivery flight

SEATTLE, Aug. 17, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] and Nok Air partnered today to launch a special humanitarian aid mission to Thailand.

With the help of the international non-profit organization Vital Voices, whose mission is to invest in and empower women leaders, the airline's 22nd Next-Generation 737-800 will transport and deliver nearly 30 boxes full of relief items including clothes and school supplies.

The items are headed to The Children's Advocacy Center Thailand (ACT), a non-profit organization dedicated to better the lives of abused children and youth in Thailand. Representatives from ACT will deliver the aid to impacted children and youth throughout Thailand.

"We are honored to play an important role for the well-being of our children and youth," said Nok Air CEO Patee Sarasin. "Providing timely supplies to those in need will affect the lives of many in the region. Nok Air is proud to continue playing a vital role in cultivating the well-being of our community."

As part of the Global Corporate Citizenship program, Boeing is committed to building better communities worldwide.

"We are honored that Nok Air partnered with The Boeing Company to deliver humanitarian aid to the many children in Thailand who are in need," said Sam Whiting, Director, Global Corporate Citizenship, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "We look forward to working closely with Nok Air and non-profit organizations like ACT in Thailand to identify future opportunities."

Based in Bangkok, Thailand, Nok Air is a low-cost carrier that operates an all-Boeing fleet. As part of a tradition in naming its new airplanes, Nok Air has designated this particular airplane 'Fah Kram,' which means blue skies.

The airline currently has two additional Next-Generation 737s on order with Boeing after today's delivery. Nok Air is also a 737 MAX customer with eight 737 MAX 8 airplanes on order.

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