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NOUAKCHOTT, Mauritania, Aug.8, 2016 – Boeing (NYSE:BA) and Mauritania Airlines have finalized an order for one Next-Generation 737-800 airplane, valued at \$96 million at current list prices.

"The Boeing 737 is the backbone of Mauritania Airlines fleet because of its efficiency and superior operating economics," said Mohamed Radhy Bennahi, chief executive officer of Mauritania Airlines. "The addition of this new 737-800 will greatly expand our network and enhance the overall travel experience of our passengers."

The 737-800 is one of the best-selling versions of the highly successful Next-Generation 737 family, the most technologically advanced single-aisle airplane family. Mauritania Airlines' new 737 will feature the Boeing Sky Interior, the 787 Dreamliner inspired cabin. On board, passengers will enjoy a greater sense of spaciousness with decorative sculpted sidewalls, larger window reveals, LED mood lighting and larger pivot overhead stowage bins.

"Mauritania Airlines has been an important player in West African aviation for several years," said Van Rex Gallard, vice president of Sales for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "Today's order for one additional 737-800 underlines Mauritania Airlines' position as a leading carrier committed to providing its passengers with a growing choice of destinations and exceptional in-flight comfort."

Based in Mauritania's capital city Nouakchott, at Nouakchott-Oumtounsy International Airport, Mauritania Airlines was founded in 2010 and currently serves more than 10 destinations across Africa and Europe. The Mauritanian flag-carrier currently operates a fleet which includes one Next-Generation 737-700 and two 737-500s.

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