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U.S.-China Aviation Summit Opens in Washington, D.C.

Highlighting business opportunities for U.S. aviation companies in China's rapidly growing market

Washington, D.C. – Today, the 2011 U.S.-China Aviation Summit opened by highlighting the success of past cooperation and discussing future business opportunities across the Chinese aviation market. With over 300 attendees joining the Summit, the participants will spend the next two days discussing future cooperation to open markets for U.S. exports into China's rapidly growing aviation market.

Sponsored by the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA), the 2011 Aviation Summit is serving as a technical, policy and commercial forum to assist CAAC and other Chinese aviation industry representatives in identifying and specifying advanced U.S. technologies that best suit its infrastructure modernization needs. Topics at the summit will include emissions reduction, aviation/airport energy efficiency, air traffic management and safety, air traffic control capacity and efficiency, air navigation and communications systems, airspace architecture, air cargo infrastructure, airport and aircraft security, airport development and general aviation.

Opening the Summit was the Ms. Leocadia I. Zak, Director of USTDA, Mr. Xia Xinghua, Deputy Administrator of the Civil Aviation Authority of China, Dr. Rebecca Blank, Acting Secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce, Mr. John Porcari, Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Mr. John Pistole, Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration and Ms. Susan Kurland, Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs at the U.S. Department of Transportation

In welcoming the participants to the Summit, Director Zak stated, "We have with us today many U.S. companies that are on the cutting edge of aircraft manufacturing, environmental technology breakthroughs, and advanced avionics development."

"I believe that over the next two days we have a fantastic opportunity to share experiences and learn from each other, and that by continuing our exceptionally successful partnership, we will achieve great progress in the coming decade."

The Summit is sponsored by Aerospace Industries Association, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, American Airlines, Baltimore/Washington International Airport, The Boeing Company, Delta Air Lines, DSA Detection, FedEx Express, GE Aviation, General Aviation Manufacturers Association, Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation, Hawker Beechcraft Corporation, Honeywell, ICF SH&E, ITT Corporation, L-3 Communications/Security & Detection Systems, Landrum and Brown, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, The MITRE Corporation, National Business Aviation Association, Oshkosh Corporation, Parker Aerospace, Parsons, Pratt and Whitney, Rockwell Collins, Inc., RS&H, Signature Flight Support Corporation, Southwest Airlines, Telephonics Corporation, Textron, Inc., United

Continental Holdings, UPS, U.S.-China Aviation Cooperation Program, The Washington Consulting Group. The Summit will continue at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center through September 27, 2011.

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