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BUSINESS DELEGATION TO CANADA

Left to Right : Mr. Bose, World Trade Centre - Bangalore, Mr. Vittal Nath, Trade Commissioner, Canadian High Commission in Bangalore, Mr. Balaram Menon, President - World Trade Centre - Bangalore, Mr. Kyle Nunas, Sr. Trade Commissioner, Canadian High Commission in Chennai, Jagat Shah, Trade & Investment representative of Govt of Manitoba, Canada in India.



RAK PROPERTIES ENTERS INTO A STRATEGIC AGREEMENT WITH CHOITHRAMS TO DEVELOP TWO RETAIL OUTLETS IN MINA AL ARAB AND JULFAR TOWERS

Two outlets will be delivered in first quarter of 2013 to boost retail industry in Northern Emirates

Ras Al Khaimah, UAE, 10th September 2012 RAK Properties, Ras Al Khaimah's biggest property developer listed on Abu Dhabi Stock Exchange, has entered into a strategic agreement with Choithrams, a leading retail company to develop two flagship retail outlets in Mina Al Arab and Julfar Towers.

This latest step is part of a strategic plan conducted by RAK Properties to offer a fully fledged service to its range of customers.

The shopping outlet in Mina Al Arab will cover an area of 7064 sq.ft while the Julfar Towers outlet will exceed 8567 sq.ft. Both outlets will energise the shopping and retail industries in Northern Emirates

The development of both retail outlets will be completed in the first quarter of year 2013 which goes along with RAK Properties strategy to enhance and provide more value to its real estate projects. Both projects will also cater to the need for large retail services in the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah with the rapidly increasing number of residents in Mina Al Arab and Julfar Towers projects in the Emirate.

Mohamed Sultan Al Qadi, MD & CEO of RAK Properties said: "We at RAK Properties choose our strategic partners with due diligence. We have chosen Choithrams to develop these two retail outlets for its track record in the retail industry in the UAE for it has been serving the UAE market for three decades. Both outlets will be delivered in the first quarter of 2013 and they will be equipped with best retail solutions as part of our firm commitment to offer best qualitative services to our customers."

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Al Ghurair Centre to give away 6 Scholarships

Dubai, United Arab Emirates, Al Ghurair Centre, Dubai's pioneer shopping destination, announced an innovative 'Back to School' campaign, giving away scholarships to six lucky shoppers. From August 29th to September 15th 2012, visitors to the mall who spend 200 Dirhams at any of the Al Ghurair Centre retail outlets stand a chance to enter into

a draw to win one of the six scholarships. With this promotion, Al Ghurair Centre aims to support the future of children and make it an exciting time for children to go back to school after the summer holidays. In addition, Al Ghurair Centre has lined up the most popular Free entertainment for children with unique activities and mall decorations.



The largest indoor ice rink in a shopping mall in Al Ain opens

Bawadi Mall switches from artificial skating rink to a real-ice skating rink

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RAK Properties enters into a strategic agreement with Choithrams

Mr. V.L.Pamnnani, Partner, Choithrams added: "We take pride in this strategic partnership with one of the leading real estate development companies not only in the UAE but also in the region. This partnership aims at expanding our business in the Northern Emirates that is witnessing an exponential growth. We will be based in Julfar Towers and Mina Al Arab to serve both projects as well as the wider community of Ras Al Khaimah and Northern Emirates."

Choithrams in Mina Al Arab and Julfar Towers will offer a wide range of products and fresh food as well as a food court to serve the neighborhood.

Choithrams opened its first supermarket in the UAE in 1974 and since then has extended its operation to Bahrain, Qatar and Oman with its vision of being a leading fresh retailer in the GCC. Today, the company operates more than 48 retail units across the GCC having 27 stores in the UAE while it plans to open 32 stores in the next 2 years.

With panoramic view of pristine beaches, Mina Al Arab provides world class living environment suitable for healthy lifestyle with jogging tracks, swimming pool, tennis courts, children's play area and ample open area to feel nature's freshness.

Julfar Towers is the tallest and most luxurious structure in Ras Al Khaimah offering top of the range facilities and amenities. Julfar Towers has been built over a three-storey podium that provides retail and food outlets with stunning water views.



UAE fashion brand 'Zari O'Breesam' launches interactive online sales portal to expand footprint globally

AMAC AEROSPACE INAUGURATES BRAND NEW WIDE BODY HANGAR AT EUROAIRPORT BASEL HQ
AMAC Aerospace inaugurates brand new widebody hangar at EuroAirtort Basel HQ
Aims to debut wide body maintenance in 2013 **AMAC AEROSPACE**

AMAC Aerospace Switzerland today, 14th September, formally inaugurates its third maintenance and completion hangar for wide-body aircraft at its EuroAirport Basel -Mulhouse-Freiburg headquarters. The opening of the new state-of-the-art 8'200sq mhangar is ideally timed as AMAC gets to work on their backlog for its completions and refurbishment work. Moreover, the new facility will be the catalyst for the company's entrée into providing maintenance for wide-bodied aircraftcapability it plans to introduce from early 2013. AMAC gained European EASA Part 145 approval to undertake heavy base maintenance on Boeing 777 series (2010) and the Airbus A330/A340 Series (2012) and is expecting to receive B747-400 / B747-8i approval later on this year. In May AMAC was approved by Boeing as a Boeing Warranty Service Center.

AMAC Aerospace is expanding its work force, currently at 550 employees and shall marginally growover the next six months, with the continuous expansion of our work force in various work disciplines. The new hangar, identical in size to AMAC's second hangar which opened in 2010, can accommodate aircraft as large as the Boeing 747-8i, Boeing 777 and Airbus A340.

Kadri Muhiddin, CEO and Group Executive Chairman, together with Mr. Bernd Schramm, COO and Mr. Mauro Grossi, CFO form the executive management of the group and will later this evening welcome some 400 industry guests and customers from all over the world. Together with company employees, he will preside over a special opening ceremony at the new hangar. Mr. Muhiddin will take the opportunity to highlight that AMAC Aerospace, now in its fifth year, fully intends to capitalise on its success serving a strong international customer base, by building up its activity in aircraft maintenance and to also expand the charter business.

"We have done phenomenally well in winning completion, refurbishment and maintenance work contracts to the point that we have a secure and stable workload until 2014 and at present we are in dialogue for work beyond 2014" said Kadri Muhiddin. AMAC Aerospace handled numerous projects in 2011 and

will deliver in 2012 a B777, several ACJ's and BBJ's refurbishment projects.

"Now in our second phase of growing the business we are focusing on building up the maintenance side of the business. We are also very enthusiastic about our new activity supporting the Pilatus PC12-NG single engine turboprop in the lucrative Middle East market," he added.

The inauguration of the new Basel facility comes just one week after AMAC launched a 1,500sqm hangar at Istanbul's Ataturk Airport in Turkey, where from January 2013 it will be providing maintenance support for the versatile, high-speed six-seater PC-12NG turboprop.

AMAC Aerospace was appointed a fully authorized and exclusive sales distributor in the Middle East at the beginning of 2012. Its territory covers Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Yemen, Kuwait, Iraq, Bahrain, Qatar, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Egypt and Turkey. The company is embarking on a pro-active marketing strategy to promote the sale of the PC-12 (NG) starting with AMAC Aerospace Turkey, which shall encourage this unique aircraft in the region.

Its sales strategy is to offer potential purchasers detailed business analysis services including fuel consumption studies, operational cost predictions, and maintenance schedule plans in order to support an informed purchase. It is anticipated that this intelligence will be of particular interest to air taxi services and corporate fleet inquiries.

AMAC participated for the first time at the Airex Show in Turkey last week and next on the aviation show calendar is MEBA in Dubai (December 11-13) where AMAC is participating at Chalet A20/ Stand 622. It will also display the PC-12NG there in conjunction with Pilatus. For further information

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EXPANSION IN THE MIDDLE EAST: SWISSÔTEL HOTELS & RESORTS TO OPEN NEW DELUXE HOTEL IN DUBAI, U.A.E.

SINGAPORE, September 2012 After opening its first hotel in the Middle East in the Holy city of Makkah, Swissôtel Hotels & Resorts is adding another deluxe hotel in the region: Swissôtel Jadaf Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. The hotel is expected to open by early 2016.

Five minutes from Dubai's airport, the new build Swissôtel located in the Al Jadaf area, is set to become an anchor deluxe hotel within a mixed use development comprising 3 hotels, residences, serviced apartments, retail & entertainment facilities. The Jadaf district is just next to the Officers Club, close to the Latifa Hospital and what will become the largest Children's hospital in the Middle East, currently under construction as an extension to the Health Care City.

Al Jadaf is strategically located just minutes away from Dubai landmarks such as the Dubai Mall, Dubai International Financial District, World Trade Centre, Dubai Festival City and Health Care City. The Swissôtel sister property Raffles Dubai and the Health Care City district are located across the Sheikh Zayed Road.

The modern contemporary hotel will be developed in keeping with the Emirati architectural characteristics, comprising over 280 rooms and suites, an all-day dining restaurant, three speciality restaurants with outdoor areas, as well as a Pürovel Spa. Meeting, conference and ballroom facilities all with a total area of 1600m² will round out the amenities of the hotel.

"Dubai has been at the top of our wish list for a long time," says Meinhard Huck,

President Swissôtel Hotels & Resorts. "Although a large accommodation offering already exists, thanks to the increase in visitors there is still demand for elegant hotels. This is an additional important step in our expansion in this region".

Swissôtel Hotels & Resorts' is delighted to be partnering with such a reputable company such as Aabar Properties, a real estate development, management and investment company which has the vision to enhance the leisure and business experience in Dubai by creating a vibrant entertainment destination in a strategic location for the future. Khalifa Al Mehairi, CEO, Aabar Properties, said: "We are very pleased to be partnering with Swissôtel. Venturing into hospitality and leisure segments has always been part of Aabar Properties long term strategies and I am glad that we are marking our presence in Dubai, besides our initiatives and ventures in Abu Dhabi, with this solid partnership with Swissôtel Hotels & Resorts. Association with international brands like Swissôtel shows our commitment and strength in transforming our long term strategies into reality".

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Nordic Aviation Capital announces new senior management appointments

New senior appointments at Nordic Aviation Capital

Nordic Aviation Capital (NAC), the world's largest regional turboprop lessor, today announced a further strengthening of its top management team as its growth in the sector continues apace.

Kim Graven-Nielsen has been appointed Chief Executive Officer, having served as adviser and Vice Chairman of the company since 2009. Kim previously served as CEO in among others Thomson-Thomson Inc. and Esko-Graphics and lived abroad for several years. He has also held non-executive director roles in several companies, including Colorprint A/S, Reson A/S and BB-Electronics A/S.

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Martin Moller, Chairman of Nordic Aviation Capital, commented: "I am looking forward to continuing to build on Nordic Aviation's success these past 22 years and exploring new opportunities in our business."

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