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Acropolis Aviation names Kuky Salazar, VP-US & Latin America

Acropolis Aviation, the five-year old Farnborough, UK based VIP charter operator, is bolstering its presence in the US with the recent appointment of former NetJets/ Executive Jets Management executive Kuky Salazar as Vice President-US & Latin America. Kuky will head the company's growth in the region, working with charter brokers and private clients, based out of Ft. Lauderdale Executive Airport, Florida. She will build on the increasing popularity of Acropolis' flagship Airbus ACJ319 G-NOAH in the US market. Bringing over two decades' experience in the international private aviation sector, Kuky has worked for Private Aviation Solutions as President-Latin America, Europe and Asia, selling and operating Part 121 and 135 aircraft charters. She set up and developed a sales presence in Florida and London for the company, handling customer accounts on both Executive and VIP Commercial Airlines. Prior to that she spent eight years with NetJets and EJM, a NetJets company. As Director-Charter Sales, she managed employees in Florida, Teterboro and Washington, DC, securing new clients in the US, Latin America, Europe and Asia.

Kuky is also credited with recruiting and developing the charter and flight ops department as Director-Charter Sales of Presidential Aviation from 2002-2006.

Speaking on the announcement of her new appointment, Kuky said "I am delighted to be representing Acropolis Aviation in the US. With the aircraft's open-plan luxury cabin, recently upgraded internet and entertainment system and the company's tailored approach to every charter flight, G-NOAH has proven to be popular within the charter market and I look forward to introducing US based clients to this fantastic aircraft."

"We are very pleased to welcome Kuky with her fine pedigree in business aviation expertise to our team," added Jonathan Bousfield, Acropolis CEO. Acropolis Aviation is the launch customer for the new Airbus ACJ320neo, confirming a commitment to the aircraft during EBACE 2015 in May this year.



Medical tourism in Dubai years ahead of its regional peers

Dr. Ihab William: Demand for 'Hollywood Smile' in Dubai is three times more than in Lebanon

MSB Design Hi-Lo tables added as line-fit option for Gulfstream G500 and G600 models





Flying Colours Corp., Chesterfield MO wins Bombardier Authorized Service Facility (ASF) Excellence Award.

Flying Colours Corp. KSUS, the St. Louis, MO, MRO and completions facility has been awarded by Bombardier Business Aircraft the Authorized Service Facility Excellence Award in the North American category. According to Bombardier, the win exemplifies quality, performance and commitment to customers, as well as support of Bombardier's strategy to deliver outstanding customer experience through superior performance. Troy Funk, Vice President Technical Services, Flying Colours Corp. KSUS will accept the award on behalf of the company at the 5th Annual Bombardier ASF Excellence Awards ceremony which will take place on November 18 at the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA) Convention in Las Vegas, USA. **"It is the first time we Acropolis is exhibiting at the NBAA 17th 19th November on the Avinode Booth N5222**

have been eligible for this so we are hugely honoured to win, especially given the intense competition in the North American market. We recognize the dedication, commitment and hard work our strong team in St. Louis places on the customer experience, and the award from Bombardier Business Aircraft underlines what a great job they do." The ASF agreement currently covers work undertaken on the Bombardier* Learjet 40*, Learjet 40 XR*, Learjet 45*, Learjet 45 XR*, Challenger 300*, Challenger 350*, Challenger 604*, Challenger 605* and Challenger 850* business jets. **Bombardier originally named Flying Colours Corp. as an ASF in October 2012.** www.flyingcolourscorp.com



Flying Colours Corp. named Bombardier Authorized Service Facility (ASF) for Global 5000* and Global 6000* business aircraft.

The Peterborough headquarters of MRO and completions specialist, Flying Colours Corp., is going "global" as it announces Bombardier Business Aircraft has awarded the Peterborough facility heavy Authorized Service Facility (ASF) status to work on Global 5000* and Global 6000* business aircraft.

The authorization will take effect November 16, the eve of this year's NBAA meeting where Flying Colours Corp. will be exhibiting on Booth C9340. The news comes hard on the heels of Flying Colours Corp.'s Chesterfield, Missouri facility receiving Bombardier's annual ASF Excellence Award in the North America category, as well as Flying Colours Corp. confirming Bombardier has also renewed its existing ASF status for a further five years at both its Canadian and USA facilities. The existing Peterborough ASF agreement currently covers heavy work undertaken on Bombardier Challenger 605* and Challenger 850* business jets. Bombardier Business Aircraft originally named Flying Colours Corp. as an ASF in October 2012.

"The addition of Global* aircraft to our existing Bombardier ASF status illustrates the confidence the manufacturer has in us to perform work on the Global* business jets, and enables us to work with an even greater number of owners and operators," said Eric Gillespie, Vice President, Flying Colours Corp. Flying Colours Corp. has invested significant time, money and human resources into maintaining the standards required to retain its ASF status. The 450-strong team will continue to receive on-going training, whilst investment in new tooling equipment will also be made. "This announcement is validation of our team's commitment to maintaining customer satisfaction and continuing to grow our scope of work on the Global* airframe," adds Gillespie.



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Photo Caption - Satcom Direct Leadership Team (L to R): John Zbanr, Paul Newman, Ken Bantoff, Scott Hamilton, Jim Jensen, David Greenhilt, Ed Moren Senior, Mark Whitson, Brian Schank

Satcom Direct expands service portfolio, evolves its brand

NBAA Las Vegas, NV /November 17, 2015

To better represent its expanded offerings beyond satellite communications solutions, Satcom Direct has changed its brand identity to SD.

The move stems from the company's ongoing technology advancements and strategic partnerships, which have broadened its capabilities as a global connectivity provider. In addition to SATCOM, SD offers secured network capabilities, air-to-ground solutions, and value-added services to make those networks faster, more efficient and more secure. The company name will remain Satcom Direct, while using the "SD" mark and initials to represent its evolution as a company. "From the beginning, SD has been an innovator, delivering numerous technology advancements to business aviation and government customers. We received a patent for our very first product, the Global One Number®, and we've continued to bring new technologies to the market place. We've been Satcom Direct since 1997, and now we're even more," said Jim Jensen, SD founder and CEO. More than a satellite communications provider, SD delivers global connectivity via services that enable clients to use satellite, air-to-ground and 3G cellular

networks, seamlessly, via its exclusive router the SDR™. Proprietary value-added enhancements accelerate data, improve voice call quality, and enable use of smartphones at any altitude, any where in the world.

Along with significant additions to its product portfolio, in October, SD celebrated its latest milestone with the grand opening of its new state-of-the-art 42,000-sq-ft world headquarters in Melbourne, Florida. The move consolidated multiple locations in Satellite Beach and Melbourne into a single, larger, more efficient facility. The LEED certified building houses a 24/7 network operations center (NOC), technologies testing lab, and advanced research and development center. "Our mission is to meet aircraft operators' demands for better and more secure connectivity in both the cabin and the cockpit, wherever they fly. The NOC enables SD to monitor the performance of our services and applications, as well as airborne network providers, facilitating our world class support. The next generation of SD services will help synchronize the aircraft with the flight department, bringing our customers a technology platform like nothing else in the industry," Jensen said.



Sandals reigns supreme at World Travel Awards Caribbean & North America Gala Ceremony

Great Exuma, Bahamas, October 17th, 2015
Sandals Resorts International has claimed the title of Caribbean's Leading Hotel Brand for an unprecedented 22nd time at the World Travel Awards Caribbean & North America Gala Ceremony 2015, cementing more than two decades at the top. On a night of high drama at host Sandals Emerald Bay in the Bahamas, Delta Air Lines took the titles of North America's Leading Airline and North America's Leading Airline to the Caribbean, while Caribbean Airlines was recognised as the Caribbean's Leading Airline.

In a special presentation Bahamas Minister of Tourism, the Honourable Obediah H. Wilcombe, was recognised as the Caribbean's Leading Travel Personality 2015. World Travel Awards President Graham Cooke said: "What a night for Sandals! Over the past two decades the brand has grown into an institution here in the Caribbean and that success has been recognised by our voters this evening.

"My congratulations, too, to all our winners tonight, all of whom are working tirelessly to drive up standards in the competitive Caribbean and North American hospitality markets.

"I look forward to welcoming them all to our Grand Final this December in Morocco." The evening was hosted by stars Andrew Kennedy and Anastagia Pierre, while guests were treated to performances from The Royal Bahamas Police Force Pop Band, Alia Cole, and Crusaders Junkanoo Group. Also among those tasting success on the night were the Jamaica Tourist Board, recognised as the Caribbean's Leading Tourist Board, and Antigua & Barbuda, which claimed the title of Caribbean's Leading Romantic Destination. Hyatt Zilara Rose Hall, Jamaica, took the title of Caribbean's Leading New Hotel, while the trophy for Caribbean's Leading Hotel Suite went to Rock Star Suite at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Punta Cana. Las Vegas also starred, taking the trophy for North American's Leading Destination among a clutch of awards, while the famous Las Vegas Strip was recognised as North America's Leading Tourist Destination. World Travel Awards Gala Ceremonies are widely regarded as the best networking opportunities in the travel industry, attended by government and industry leaders, luminaries, and international print and broadcast media.



World Ski Awards continues successful LEITNER, PRINOTH, and DEMACLENKO partnerships

World Spa Awards welcomes Oriental Destinations as 2015 DMC Partner

World Spa Awards has welcomed Oriental Destinations as its Destination Management Company Partner ahead of the upcoming Gala Ceremony 2015.

The inaugural World Spa Awards Gala Ceremony will take place at the Inter Continental® Danang Sun Peninsula Resort, Vietnam, on Monday, September 14th. A highlight of the partnership will see Oriental Destinations offer delegates to the World Spa Awards a specially curated tour of Danang, taking in Marble Mountain, Cham Museum and other must see sights. Hundreds of industry leaders from around the world are expected to be in attendance at the first event of its kind.

World Spa Awards Managing Director Gina Reynolds said: "I am delighted to welcome Oriental Destinations as our Destination Management Company Partner for the Gala Ceremony 2015.

"In an increasingly competitive Vietnamese tourism market this brand stands head and shoulders above its competitors and I am

sure their expertise will prove invaluable to the successful organisation of the event." Oriental Destinations is a Vietnam-based travel company offering a full range of services in accommodation, touring and team building, whether for leisure or business. The brand is also fast becoming one of the leading meeting, incentive, conference, and exhibition organisers in the country and is able to organise any event, anywhere. Oriental Destinations is confident it can offer unique and luxury experiences and provide excellent value for money - no matter the requirement. Every aspect of a trip must be strategically considered and woven together seamlessly to achieve maximum return on investment, along with brilliant results. Oriental Destinations always considers clients' satisfaction as the motivation and all they look forward to making your next holiday, business trip, or MICE event as a memorable one.



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