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## **Oxford Aviation Academy signs an exclusive agreement with Icelandair for flight simulator training**

**Oxford Aviation Academy (OAA) and Icelandair have signed an exclusive five-year training agreement for the provision of flight simulator training for Boeing 757 and 767. Also included in the agreement is Dash 8-100/300 training for Air Iceland, an associated company of Icelandair.**

This agreement marks the extension of a 10-year relationship between OAA and Icelandair for flight simulator training in London. Under the new agreement OAA will install a B757 simulator in Copenhagen during 2010, and Icelandair will also have access to the existing OAA B767 flight simulator in Stockholm.

Head of Training at Icelandair, Össur Brynjólfsson comments: *"We at Icelandair are very pleased to continue our long-term relationship with OAA for the years to come. We have had an excellent relationship with OAA in London for many years and with a new training base for Icelandair in Copenhagen we will benefit even more from our cooperation. We feel like back home in Copenhagen where we started our B757 training in early 90's".*

OAA's training centre in Copenhagen is located close to the airport terminal at Copenhagen Airport Kastrup, the busiest airport in Scandinavia with a global air traffic network. OAA Copenhagen currently houses B737NG and an MD-80 Full Flight Simulators, cabin trainers for both aircraft types as well as the Airbus family, a fire fighting trainer, several door trainers and additional cabin crew training equipment. The training centre is fully equipped with extensive classrooms and CBT facilities.

Mike Humphreys, Managing Director of OAA's Type Training Division, says *"We are delighted to continue our partnership with Icelandair and look forward to welcoming them back to Copenhagen. Also, the addition of this simulator to our existing portfolio of B737NG and MD80 simulators and cabin training facilities is a reflection of our confidence in the attractiveness of the Copenhagen Training Centre to our existing and future customers".*

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**About Oxford Aviation Academy (OAA)**

*OAA is the world's leading independent provider of pilot, cabin crew and maintenance training and aviation resourcing services. It is unique in its ability to offer the world's only fully integrated pilot supply chain. With locations in Beijing, Copenhagen, Dublin, Hong Kong, London (Gatwick), London (Heathrow), Manchester, Melbourne, Oslo, Oxford, Phoenix, Riga, Shannon, Stockholm and Tokyo, OAA is able to provide a "Total Solution " tailored to meet the particular needs of a customer.*

*OAA operates 49 simulators , has 8 Type Training Centres across Europe and Asia and can provide a full range of training courses or simulator lease. OAA's Ab Initio pilot training schools are amongst the world's largest and have trained over 23,000 professional pilots over the last 45 years. Parc Aviation, OAA's resourcing division, is the global market leader in providing aviation personnel on lease to airlines and aviation support organisations, currently providing more than 800 personnel contracted to 50 airlines in 30 different countries.*

*OAA is owned by STAR Capital Partners and General Electric Corporation.*

*Additional information can be found at [www.oaa.com](http://www.oaa.com)*

**About Icelandair**

*Icelandair aims to be the preferred airline to and from Iceland and an attractive choice for North Atlantic travel, committed to providing safe and reliable air travel and unique services. Icelandair currently serves 25 gateways in Europe, the USA and Canada.*

*The company has transformed Iceland's geographical location between North America and Europe into a business opportunity by building an international route network with Iceland as a hub.*

*Icelandair, founded in 1937, divides its marketing activities into three main categories: Travel FROM Iceland, travel TO Iceland and travel VIA Iceland – i.e., flights between Europe and North America with a stopover in Iceland.*

*By linking these three markets in a route network served currently by 11 Boeing 757 aircraft, the company has succeeded in sustaining and strengthening its business over a long period of time.*