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Market Comment

Boeing 737 MAX 10. The manufacturer may install the larger CFM **International** LEAP-1A engine on the 737 MAX to compete with the **Airbus** A321neo, which is outselling the MAX 9 by four to one. **Boeing** could stretch the 178-seat jet to add 12 or more passengers and increase the fuel tanks. This would give the jet trans-oceanic range and more capacity than the 185-seat A321neo. However, the new MAX 9 derivative, nicknamed the 737 MAX 10, would require significant changes. The larger engine would force **Boeing** to install longer landing gear and that might lead to repositioning the gear in the wing. The certification of the new parts and stretched fuselage could cost from \$1 billion to \$2 billion, according to industry experts. Using a different engine on the largest 737 lessens the commonality with the smaller LEAP-1B engines used on the rest of the 737 MAX fleet. A General **Electric** spokesman said there was no contractual prohibition to **Boeing** using a larger engine. He said, "The LEAP engine was designed to have growth capability." Boeing Commercial Airplanes CEO Ray Conner said that **Boeing** was studying several options for developments and had made no decisions. In the face of Airbus' preponderance of orders in the upper end of the single-aisle twin jet market, **Boeing** is looking at a variety of tactical and strategic moves that could give it a head start in developing the next generation of jets for production from 2030. It also needs to defend the 757 niche, which it is failing miserably. This is the space between the narrowbody 737 and big widebody jets. Boeing's share of the market for single-aisle jets has fallen to 40 percent, down from a recent 50-50 split with **Airbus**. **Boeing** is also considering two smallish twin-aisle jets that can carry 220 and 260 people respectively. The smaller base model would fly about 4,500 nautical miles, and the larger one would have a range of about 3,500 nm. Those planes would cost \$15 billion or more to develop. Airbus could retaliate with a new wing and maybe a stretch of the A321neo, to boost performance and capacity. Airbus Sales Chief John Leahy dismissed the possibility that **Boeing** would fit a larger engine on its 737 MAX 9. He called the putative MAX 10 "Mad MAX" because of the technical challenges the program would face. Mr. Leahy told journalists that Boeing would probably go ahead with the upgrade rather than build the costlier jet in the 'middle of the market.'

Maybe Boeing Needs to Choose "All of the Above" and build a midmarket 737 MAX 10 as well as the new technology jet that will replace single-aisle jets in the early 2030s. That would require the company to



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stop laying off design staff and start investing in a future where oil is expensive again and there are alternative fuels for turbine engines.

Airbus Orders

Airbus booked 85 aircraft in April, including 21 contracts that raised A350 XWB orders to near the 800 mark. The airframer delivered 52 aircraft from its current jetliner families, including the first U.S.-built A321. **China Eastern Airlines** purchased 20 A350-900s, which will join the Chinese carrier's current fleet of nearly 300 aircraft. It is currently one of the largest Airbus operators worldwide and flies jets from the A320 and A330 Families. An undisclosed customer also acquired one A350-900 during the month. With these bookings, a total of 798 A350 XWBs had been ordered by 42 customers, as of April 30. An Undisclosed Customer bought 20 A330s on April 29, comprised of 13 A330-300s and seven A330-200s. Airbus signed contracts for 44 A320 Family aircraft. Delta Air Lines ordered for 37 A321ceo (current engine option) aircraft, which raised the U.S. operator's overall A321-200 bookings to 82. Air Côte **D'Ivoire**, the national airline of Ivory Coast, bought two A320ceo and two A320neo (new engine option) jetliners. Latin America's Avianca acquired three A320neos and cancelled three A320ceos. Taking cancellations and conversions into account, the 2016 gross orders totaled 92 jetliners. LDWIDE AVIATION MARKETING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICE

The Manufacturer delivered 41 A320 Family aircraft, six A330s, two A350 XWBs (for Singapore Airlines and Finnair) and three A380s (two to Emirates, and one for Etihad Airways). It delivered the first A321-200 assembled at the new U.S. final assembly line in Mobile, Alabama, to JetBlue. Airbus intends to build four aircraft per month at the Mobile facility by the end of 2017. It delivered eight A320 Family aircraft to five carriers in the United States including American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Frontier Airlines, JetBlue and Spirit Airlines. The manufacturer has now delivered more than 7,000 A320 Family aircraft. Airbus' backlog stood at 6,746 aircraft to be delivered as of April 30.

Delta Air Lines placed an order for 37 Current Engine Option A321 aircraft worth \$4.25 billion (\$114.9 million each) at list prices. It took delivery of its first A321ceo in March, from previous orders for 30 A321s that were placed in September 2013 and 15 A321s placed in June 2014. Including the latest announcement, **Delta** has ordered 82 A321s, which will be powered by **CFM International** CFM56 engines. **Ed Bastian, Delta's** incoming chief executive, said, "The order for the A321s



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is an opportunistic fleet move that enables us to produce strong returns and cost-effectively accelerate the retirement of **Delta's** 116 MD-88s in a capital efficient manner." John Leahy, Airbus Chief Operating Officer – Customers, said, "In 2015, nearly 40 percent of our A320 Family deliveries were A321s, up some 10 percent from the previous year. All of Delta's A321s will feature fuel-saving Sharklet wingtip devices that offer up to 4 percent fuel-burn savings. Many of Delta's A321s will be assembled by the Airbus U.S. Manufacturing Facility in Mobile, Alabama, and all 82 will be delivered by the end of 2019.

Air Côte D'Ivoire, Abidjan, Ivory Coast, signed a firm order for two A320ceo and two A320neo aircraft in April. The A320s will be fitted with CFM engines, and feature a two class cabin layout. The national airline is a new customer for Airbus and the first African airline to order the A320neo. Air Côte D'Ivoire already leases four A319s and one A320.

Airbus won orders for 20 A330s from an **Undisclosed Customer**. The order was a mix of seven A330-200s and 13 A330-300s and it was signed on April 29. **Airbus** recently opted to raise its monthly production of A330s to seven aircraft next year, from the current output to six. Another **Undisclosed Customer** ordered a single A350-900. The airframer is

Airbus Orders, Deliveries and Backlog **April 2016** APR **APR APR TOTAL TOTAL BACK ORD** DEL **CANX ORD** DEL LOG A318 -0--0-80 80 -0--0-**A319** -0--0--0-1,472 1,455 17 A319neo 58 -()--()--()--()-58 A320 -0-24 -3 4,749 4,216 563 A320neo 7 1 -0-3,340 6 3,334 A321 -()-16 -0-1,683 1,263 420 A321neo -0--0--0-1,117 -0-1,117 **A330** 20 6 -0-1,448 1,276 172 A330neo -()--()--0-186 -0-186 A350 21 2 -0-798 21 777 A380 -()-319 -0-187 132 **This Month** BL This Year 85 52 -3 92 177 6,746

Airbus sold 16,443 aircraft and delivered 9,697 as of April 30, 2016. Twenty-five orders were cancelled. Total orders, deliveries and backlog include cancellations and order changes.

aiming to hand over at least 50 A350s in 2016.

China Eastern Airlines has signed a contract for 20 **Airbus** A350-900s, in April, as part of its long-haul fleet modernization program. The planes will be delivered from 2018 to 2022, with two A350s arriving in 2018, three in 2019, and two in 2020. The remaining 13 will be delivered in 2021 and 2022. All the A350s will be powered by **Rolls-Royce** Trent XWB engines. The A350 deal was valued at just



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under \$6 billion (\$300 million each), but the airline said the airframer granted significant price concessions. The new A350s will replace a dozen A330s. With this latest order, **Airbus** said it won 803 firm A350 XWB orders from 43 customers worldwide. So far 20 A350 XWBs have been delivered to five customers.

There is a Five A350 Order Discrepancy between the official Airbus Orders and Deliveries web page which states that 42 customers have ordered 798 A350s and the Airbus press release that said the China Eastern order raised the A350 order total to 803 from 43 customers. Expect Airbus to announce the five orders in June or at Farnborough Airshow in July.

The LEAP-1A A320neo Received the Type Certification from the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on May 31, 2016. This paves the way for the delivery of the first CFM International LEAP-1A engined A320neo in mid-2016. The award followed the initial EASA and FAA Certificate of Airworthiness for the A320neo, powered by the Pratt & Whitney engine by six months. The first A320neo was delivered on January 20, 2016. The two LEAP-powered aircraft assigned to the flight test campaign have now accumulated more than 1,000 flight hours in more

Airbus is launching the ACJ350 XWB, a new corporate-jet version of the A350 airliner, which expands its corporate jet family with an aircraft that delivers more capacity, capability and comfort. The ACJ350 XWB features 270 square meter/2,910 square feet of cabin space in the -900 version. The ultra-long range variant can fly 25 passengers up to 10,800 nm/20,000 km or for 22 hours. Airbus said, "Widebodies such as the ACJ350 offer the equivalent of several houses of floor space, so creating cabins that meet demanding certification rules can be challenging, especially when they are installed within a fuselage made of new materials such as carbon fiber." As part of its Easyfit program, Airbus will pre-equip the ACJ350's carbon fiber fuselage with hundreds of attachment points which will greatly simplify the work of cabin outfitters. It is working extensively with several cabin outfitters to ensure smooth completions for customers. The ACJ350 XWB offers new standard features such as an onboard airport navigation system (OANS), like GPS in a car, and a runway overrun prevention system (ROPS), an aid for pilots that helps to prevent runway excursions, especially in challenging weather, Airbus said.

than 350 flights – including 150 flight hours completed with the same aircraft in an airline-like environment to ensure operational maturity at entry into service. Certification of the remaining aircraft/engine variants with LEAP engines will follow in the coming months. When all flight testing has been completed, the NEO development fleet (with both engine options) will have achieved a combined total of 3,000 flight hours. Since its launch on December 1, 2010, the A320neo Family has received more than 4,500 orders from over 82 customers, representing some 60 percent share of the market.

The First Airbus A350-1000 is now structurally complete in Toulouse, and it is on schedule to make its maiden flight by year-end. Airbus has not yet set the date for the official roll-out, but it said the first aircraft (SN 059) "is progressing well in the final assembly line" and "first flight is on track to happen by the end of the year." The stretched, 366-seat version of the A350-900 is equipped with Rolls-Royce Trent XWB-97 engines, and the main landing gear incorporates six-wheel bogies rather than the four-wheel units on the A350-900. Airbus will build three A350-1000 flight-test aircraft and the first production -1000 is due for delivery in mid-2017.



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Boeing Orders

Boeing Sold 34 New Aircraft in April. FedEx bought one 777-200F, for a total of 32. One Unidentified Customer purchased 10 737-800NGs, and another Unidentified Customer bought eight 737-800NGs. A third Unidentified Customer (China Eastern Airlines) signed a contract for 15 787-900s in April. The manufacturer delivered 34 737NGs, eight 777s and 10 787s, for a total of 52.

China Eastern Airlines finalized an contract for 15 787-9 Dreamliners, on April 28, valued at nearly \$3.9 billion (\$260 million each) at current list prices, but the airline said the airframer granted significant price concessions. The airline plans to operate the new 787-9s on routes between China, North America and Europe when they are delivered between 2018 and 2021. Four 787s will be handed over in 2018, followed by six in 2019, and the other five in 2020 and 2021. China Eastern did not make an engine selection for the 787-9s. China Eastern ordered 15 787-8s in November 2005, but ditched them in March 2012 and ordered 45 737-800NGs. The airline will use the 787s to replace six **Boeing** 767s.

In May, FedEx Express bought yet another 777-200F, for a total of 33. Japan Transocean Air ordered one 737-800NGs and an Unidentified Customer purchased eight 737s. At the same time, one customer dropped eight existing 737

Boeing April 2016 Orders, Deliveries									
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-0-	-0-	-0-	3,090	-0-	3,090				
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-0-	-0-	-0-	1,543	1,520	23				
767									
-0-	1	-0-	1,164	1,085	79				
777									
1	8	-0-	1,590	1,392	198				
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Boeing sold 26,651 aircraft and delivered 20,931 as of April 30, 2016

The Current Program includes sales and deliveries of 737s, 747s, 767s, 777s and 787s.

Sales totals include 16 cancellations.

orders. Presumably the customer switched its commitments to the 737 MAX version. Another **Unidentified Customer** bought seven 737s, and four previous 737 orders were cancelled. Customers have scratched 26 737 orders and four 787s this year. **Boeing** identified **Arik Air** as the customer for eight 737s previously listed as unidentified. **Norwegian** ordered eight 737s and **VietJet Air** bought 100 737 MAX 200s.

VietJet Aviation Joint Stock Company and Boeing signed an order for 100 737 MAX 200 airplanes at a ceremony at the Presidential Palace in Hanoi, which was witnessed by Trần Đại Quang, President of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, and U.S. President Barack Obama. This was the largest single com-



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ercial airplane purchase in Vietnam aviation history, and was valued at approximately \$11.3 billion (\$113 million each) at current list prices. The airplanes will be delivered from 2019 through 2023, and they will support the growth of **Vietjet's** domestic and international network in the region. This agreement also helps **Vietjet** to increase its fleet to more than 200 airplanes by the end 2023. The low-cost carrier started operations in December of 2011, and it is seeking to expand in a market that's grown 20 percent

Norwegian Air Shuttle, the Scandinavian low-cost carrier, will lease a pair of 787-9 Dreamliners from CIT Aerospace in 2018, and it will lease another two 787-9s from AerCap the same year. The lease deals were announced in March. By 2020, Norwegian will operate a fleet of 42 787s. The airline also exercised eight of its 100 737 MAX 8 options in May, taking its firm orders for the reengined narrowbody to 108. Norwegian was the European launch customer for the MAX 8, and will receive their first one in 2017.

CFM International LEAP-1B engines, Advanced Technology winglets and other improvements to deliver the highest efficiency, reliability and passenger comfort in the single-aisle market. The new single-aisle airplane will deliver 20 percent lower fuel use than the first Next-Generation 737s and the lowest operating costs in its class – 8 percent per seat less than its nearest competitor. **Boeing** said.

Regional Report

Bombardier Commercial Aircraft sold nine Dash 8Q-400 Next Gen turboprops to WestJet Encore. The transaction represented the conversion of options into firm orders by the airline's parent company WestJet, and it will increase WestJet Encore's fleet to 45 Q400 aircraft. The transaction was valued at \$293 million (\$32.5 million each) at list prices. Kevin Smith, VP, Regional Aircraft, at Bombardier Commercial Aircraft said, "In just three years WestJet Encore's operations have grown from two Q400 aircraft serving just two cities, to 28 aircraft serving 36 destinations in Canada and the U.S. With this order, WestJet Encore has 17 aircraft still to be delivered which will allow further expansion of the airline's network."

The First Embraer E-Jets E2 Flew on May 23. The program reached another important milestone when the prototype E190-E2 (E190-300 STD, SN 19020001) flew from the manufacturer's facility in São José dos Campos, Brazil, for three hours and 20 minutes. The flight was originally scheduled for the second half of this year. The plane was rolled out of the factory in late February, and it is the first of three new second-generation E-Jet E2 models. The E190-E2 certification campaign will run until 2018, when the E2 is scheduled to enter commercial service. The flight evaluated aircraft handling and performance characteristics with the crew analyzing a significant number of flight parameters, including speed, altitude and landing gear retraction. This was made possible by the high level of maturity that the E2 reached during program development through the extensive use of digital modeling simulations and ground and static tests that employed rigs and an iron bird, Embraer said. Captain Mozart Louzada, said, "There are always a lot of expectations with a first flight and today's was no exception. The flight was very smooth. We were able to significantly open the flight envelope by flying at Mach 0.82, climbing to 41,000 feet and retracting the landing gear and flaps, and engaging the fly-by-wire in normal mode. All of these demonstrate that the E190-E2 project is very mature and robust, and exceed all performance targets." Embraer will use four prototypes in the E190-E2 certification program. Two additional aircraft will be assigned for the E195-E2 certification process that will lead to entry into service in 2019. Three more aircraft will be used to certify the E175-E2 which is scheduled to enter service in 2020. The E190-E2 has the same number of seats as the current-generation E190 and can be



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configured with 97 seats in dual class or 106 seats in a single-class layout. It has 400 nautical miles more range than the current-generation E190 and gives operators the ability to fly the aircraft up to 2,800 nautical miles. To date, **Embraer** has won 640 commitments from airlines and leasing companies, of which 267 are firm orders and 373 are options and purchase rights. The E-Jets E2s will be powered **Pratt & Whitney** PurePower Geared Turbofan high bypass ratio engines (PW1700G on the E175-E2, PW1900G on the E190-E2 and E195-E2).

Order Changes and Cancellations

Airbus Changes. Two of the 12 Undisclosed A319neo orders were dropped, leaving Airbus with a total of 58 orders in April. Nine Undisclosed A320-200 orders were transferred to six airlines and one lessor in China. All nine A320s were delivered during the month. Air China added one -200, for a total of 35. China Development Bank Financial Leasing (CDB Leasing) picked up its eighth -200 and leased it immediately to China Eastern Airlines. The airline also bought its 116th -200. China Southern Airlines obtained its 92nd and 93rd -200s, and Loong Air received its fourth -200. Shenzhen Airlines added its 58th -200, and

Republic Airways Holdings' six-year-old order for 40 Bombardier CS300 jets is still on the manufacturer's backlog but the company removed the order from its long-term production schedule, Bombardier chief executive Alain Bellemare, said. The Republic order was originally assigned to Republic's former subsidiary Frontier Airlines. The low-cost airline was spun off three years ago, but the parent kept the CS300 orders. Now, the holding company's financial restructuring under bankruptcy protection cast the CSeries order in doubt. **Republic** is now planning its operations around a fleet of Embraer E-Jets. Mr. Bellemare commented that "The Republic order is still in the backlog but it's not in the skyline. Right now we're still working with them." Loss of the order puts a dent in Bombardier's backlog but the recent sales of 45 CS300s to Air Canada, AirBaltic's firming of seven CS300 options and **Delta Air Lines** signing a firm order for 75 CS100s at the end of April have made the loss less onerous. Mr. Bellemare said, "We have so many aircraft in the backlog right now. If you take a few aircraft out of the backlog, we will still be in a good position." Indianapolis-based **Republic** signed an order for 40 CS300s and took options for another 40 options in February 2010. The CS100 will enter service with launch operator Swiss International Air Lines in July, and the first 135-seat CS300 is expected to go into service six months later with AirBaltic.

Spring Airlines acquired two -200s for a total of 32. The Undisclosed A320-200 order total now stands are 101. Avianca Holdings transferred three A320-200s to Avianca which changed them to three A321neo orders in April. Avianca also switched nine A320-200 orders to the A321neo type. Avianca now has taken delivery of the 39 A320-200s it ordered and it has 92 A320neos and 16 A321neos on order. Avianca Holdings currently has two A320-200s on order and has taken delivery of four A320-200s. Wizz Air exchanged three A320-200 orders for three larger A321-200s in April. Air Lease Corporation switched one A320neo order to the A321neo, to raise that total to 118. LATAM Airlines Group dropped four A320neo orders and picked up four A321neos. The group now has orders for 48 A320neos and 19 A321neos. Nile Air exchanged its two A320-200s for two A321-200s. Spirit Airlines cancelled all 10 A321neo orders and will take 10 more A320neos, for a total of 50 instead. China Eastern got one previously undisclosed A321-200 for a total of 48, as did Sichuan Airlines, for a total of 24. Both airlines took delivery in April. The number of undisclosed A321neo orders was increased by two. Emirates picked up two of the A380s that Skymark Airlines, Japan, cancelled last year. The orders were transferred from Undisclosed to the airline in April. Undisclosed orders now stand at nine



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A319ceos, 10 A319neos, 101 A320ceos, 410 A320neos, 87 A321ceos, 59 A321neos, 14 A330-200s, 31 A330-300s, two A330-900s, three A350-900s and 10 A380s.

Boeing did not report any cancellations in April.

Leasing & Finance

Air Lease Corporation (ALC) placed two new **Boeing** 787-9 Dreamliners on long-term lease to Oman Air. The aircraft are scheduled to be delivered in 2018 and 2020, from ALC's backlog with Boeing. This new agreement follows Oman Air's announcement in August 2015, that it would lease 14 additional jet aircraft from ALC, including three new **Boeing** 737-800s, seven new 737 MAX-8s, one new 787-9 Dreamliner, one used 737-700 and two used 737-800s. ALC will long-term lease three new Airbus A321-200s, one new A321neo and one new A320neo to **WOW air** (Iceland). One of the A321-211/Ws (SN 7127) was delivered to the airline in May and the remaining two A321-200s will be handed over in the third and fourth quarter of this year. The A320-200neo and A321Air Lease Corporation (ALC) announced record quarterly financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2016. Items of note include record quarterly revenues of \$343.3 million, an increase of 23.4 percent or \$65.0 million as compared to \$278.3 million for the same quarter in 2015. ALC recorded a quarterly adjusted net income of \$151.1 million with an adjusted margin of 44.4 percent during the period as compared to \$112.8 million with an adjusted margin of 40.5 percent in 2015. It placed 85 percent of its order book on longterm leases for aircraft delivering through 2018. ALC maintained 100 percent utilization of its current fleet with only 10 percent of its leases due to expire over the next three years. The lessor purchased aircraft worth \$731.6 million during the quarter, including 10 aircraft from its backlog and one used aircraft. It sold 12 ATR aircraft worth \$221.5 million during the period. ALC expects to complete the sale of its remaining ATR fleet during the next quarter and to sell the remaining five ATR aircraft on order upon delivery (over the next two quarters).

200neo aircraft are scheduled to be delivered in the first quarter of 2017 and the same period in 2018, respectively. **ALC** will purchase the three A321-200s from **LATAM Airlines Chile** just after delivery by **Airbus**, and the two NEOS are from **ALC's** order book with **Airbus**. **Air Lease Corporation** announced it will long-term lease another two new **Airbus** A350-900 aircraft to **Malaysia Airlines Berhad**. This deal follows **ALC's** agreement to lease four new A350-900s to the airline in September 2015. The two new aircraft are scheduled to arrive in the second quarter of 2018 and come from **ALC's** order book with **Airbus**.

CIT Aerospace, a global leader in aircraft finance, signed a total of 22 agreements in the first quarter of 2016, for current and future commercial aircraft leases. **CIT Aerospace** leased 16 new and used aircraft and extended some leases of the existing fleet, to its airline customers around the world. **CIT Aerospace** owns finances and manages a fleet of more than 350 commercial aircraft serving approximately 100 customers in 50 countries.

During the First Quarter of 2016, AerCap executed 131 aircraft lease transactions, including 36 widebody transactions. Its fleet utilization rate for the first quarter of 2016 was 99.3 percent and the average remaining lease terms were 6.1 years. Ninety percent of new aircraft deliveries through 2018 have been leased under a contract or letter of intent on an average 12-year lease term, **AerCap** said. The lessor has \$9.1 billion of available liquidity, and a debt/equity ratio of 2.8 to 1. **Aengus Kelly, CEO** of **AerCap**, commented: "**AerCap** produced strong first quarter results, demonstrating the consistent



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earnings power of our global leasing platform. We delivered adjusted earnings per share of \$1.54, and expect to generate \$800 million of excess capital during 2016. We continue to see global demand for our aircraft and have access to \$9.1 billion of liquidity to meet our strategic objectives. Our proactive portfolio management initiatives, coupled with return of capital, are focused on maximizing long-term value for our shareholders." AerCap's adjusted net income was \$301.6 million, slightly down from the \$302.1 million earned in the same period in 2015. It reported net income of \$223.1 million, which was 30 percent less than the \$311.5 million income in the same period in 2015. AerCap's basic lease rents were \$1,139.3 million for the first quarter of 2016, down slightly from the \$1,157.9 million in the previous period. The decrease was primarily due to the sale of older aircraft; the lessor's average lease assets for the first quarter of 2016 were \$35.5 billion, compared with \$36.4 billion for the same period in 2015. Its net gain on sale of assets in 2016 was \$19.0 million from the sale of 19 aircraft and nine aircraft reclassified to finance leases. In the previous year, **AerCap** gained \$33.7 million from the sale of 12 aircraft and five aircraft reclassified to finance leases.

Airline News

Southwest Airlines is on a record shopping spree. **Jon Stephens,** Director of Fleet Transactions, said imports are integral to what, he described as a

Eight Budget Airlines from Australia, Japan and Southeast Asia, formed the world's largest low-cost airline alliance, which will allow customers to book connections using a shared platform. The Value Alliance includes Scoot and Tigerair in Singapore, Cebu Pacific, the Philippines, Jeju Air, South Korea, Thailand's Nok Air and NokScoot, Tigerair, Australia, and Vanilla Air, Japan. The alliance will serve more than 160 cities with a collective fleet of 176 aircraft, their press release said. Value Alliance members flew more than 47 million travelers from 17 hubs in 2015. Lance Gokongwei, CEO of Cebu Pacific, said, "Customers will be able to view, select and book the best-available airfares on flights from any of the airlines in a single transaction, directly from each partner website. Value Alliance is a clear example of how [budget airlines] can accomplish more by working together than we could do individually." It is of note that the largest low-cost carriers, such as AirAsia, Malaysia, Jetstar, Australia, Lion Air, Indonesia, IndiGo, India, and VietJet Air, Vietnam, are not in the alliance, hence it could be the alliance is directed at competing with the low-cost giants. One airline analyst thought the alliance will be better for the member airlines than the passengers they serve. The airlines will be able to align airfares and this could reduce price competition.

"beautiful plan" to swap out some of its oldest models without spending lavishly. The carrier is acquiring 83 used **Boeing** 737-700s from around the world. It recently bought two ex-**Transaero** 737s. **Southwest** and its U.S. competitors are awash in cash and looking for second-hand jetliners from developing nations because cheap fuel makes older, less-efficient aircraft more economical to operate. This runs counter to the tradition of North American carriers selling hand-me-down planes to airlines in emerging-markets. **United Continental Holdings** is importing as many as two dozen used **Airbus** A319s from China, and **Delta Air Lines** is looking at buying used 737s from its Brazilian alliance partner, **Gol Linhas Aereas Inteligentes SA**, which is shrinking and restructuring operations. U.S. airlines are taking advantage of their sophisticated maintenance operations to extend the service life of older planes. North American airlines, including **Allegiant, Delta** and **Southwest,** added 198 used jets last year. The demand for smaller trunkliners has kept them out of the scrapper's hands. Only one A319 and one 737-700 were disassembled for parts in 2016, compared with 17 in 2015. There is a risk of a glutted market because **Airbus** and **Boeing** are boosting their monthly output to about 60 single-aisle jetliners each by the end of the decade. Over the next five years lessors will have an inventory of more



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than 900 new narrowbody aircraft that do not have customers. Ironically, prices for older 737-700 **jetliners** actually rose last year because Southwest's domination of the market skewed demand. In 2018, the low-cost carrier expects to operate nearly half of the 1,116 -700s that Boeing has built to date. Prices and lease terms proved to be so attractive that Southwest decided to replace its 121 maintenance-intensive 737 Classics with -700s as soon as 2017. The Classics were delivered between 1989 and 1997. The used 737-700s are also replacing SWA's fleet of ex-Air Trans 717s, which it sold to **Delta**.

American Airlines may return two **Airbus** A319s to lessors in 2017, if the leases are not extended. It currently operates 106 leased and 19 owned A319s.

International Air Transport Association (IATA) Posts May 2016 Jet Fuel Prices. The association updates the world's average jet fuel prices each week. On May 13, the world's average price of fuel was \$1.131 per gallon, 8.6 percent higher than the April 2016 price. Fuel was also 31.8 percent less than it was in May 2015. The price of fuel is affected by location. It was only \$1.268 in the Middle East region and was \$1.377 per gallon in Latin America, which was the highest-priced region. In Asia, fuel cost \$1.293 per gallon. Fuel rose to \$1.311 in Europe, and to \$1.315 in North America. Since last year, fuel costs in those regions dropped by 30.8 and 34.0 percent respectively.

Lessors will receive 11 A319s in 2018, 18 in 2019 and 10 in 2020. Another 61 of the type are scheduled to return to lessors by 2024. If **American** sticks to its schedule, it will operate 84 A319s at the end of 2020 and just 19 by 2025. The A319 fleet age averages 12.2 years; the planes were delivered between October 1998 and June 2015. **American** will not replace its A319s with similarly sized airplanes. It has firm orders for 34 160-seat **Boeing** 737-800s and 100 737 MAX 8s, and 38 **Airbus** A321s and 100 A321neos with 190 seats. There will be a big gap between the 100-seat **Embraer** E-Jets and the trunkliners. It is keeping the youngest A319s in the fleet, and will update them with new cabin amenities.

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Portugal's Minister of Planning and Infrastructure, Pedro Marques wants to connect Portugal to the Far East "as soon as possible" so the government will look favorably at HNA Group buying 7 percent of Atlantic Gateway. The private consortium currently owns 50 percent of TAP Portugal, having bought it last year. Humberto Pedrosa, the majority partner in Atlantic Gateway, said the HNA Group stake could climb to as much as 20 percent. As part of this convoluted deal, HNA, which is the parent company of Hainan Airlines, China, agreed to buy a 23.7 percent stake in Azul Linhas Aéreas Brasileiras for \$450 million in November, 2015. Azul is partially owned by David Neeleman, who is another major partner in Atlantic Gateway.

HNA Group, the parent company of Hainan Airlines, China, will buy 13 percent of Virgin Australia, so that each carrier will have greater access to the other's home markets. The airlines will launch direct Australia-China flights and co-operate on frequent flyer and code-sharing. HNA, the largest private airline operator in China, will invest A\$159 million (\$114 million) through an equity placement, for the Virgin Australia shares and it plans to buy up to 19.99 percent. A current shareholder, Air New Zealand plans to sell off its 22.5 percent of Virgin. The deal is part of HNA's \$10 billion push to buy overseas assets so that it can compete with its country's state-backed airlines. HNA bought stakes in Azul, Brazil, and TAP Portugal, and owns Turkish aircraft maintenance firm myTechnic and ground-handling firm Swissport. Its Bohai Leasing unit bought the Irish lessor, Avolon, in January, giving it a fleet of more than 500 planes in total. HNA is now trying to buy a stake in Air France-KLM's catering business too. Virgin Australia CEO John Borghetti, said, "This is a strategically important alliance." China was Australia's fastest-growing and most valuable inbound travel market, he said. Mr. Borghetti



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expects to see **Virgin Australia** aircraft in China in the first half of 2017, with major cities including Beijing and Hong Kong the likely destinations. **Virgin Australia** needs the cash to pay down its debts so that it can better compete with **Qantas**. **Etihad Airways** now holds 21.8 per-cent of **Virgin Australia**, **Singapore Airlines** owns 20.1 percent, and founder **Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Group** retains 8.7 percent.

Boeing Will Deliver a Record Number of Airplanes to Turkish Airlines (THY) this year. The flag carrier will receive six 777-300ERs and 20 Next-Generation 737-800s in 2016. Its fleet now stands at more than 311 airplanes and is growing quickly. Ahmet Bolat, Turkish Airlines' Chief Investment and Technology Officer, said, "The delivery of 26 Boeing aircraft this year, which form a substantial part of our long-haul and short-haul fleets, are integral to Turkish's continued growth and we look forward to introducing the new planes on our domestic and international network." Turkish Airlines and Boeing share a long history that goes back to 1945, starting with the arrival of the airline's first Douglas DC-3/C-47 airliners. Turkish Airlines entered the jet age in 1967, when the airline began operating McDonnell Douglas DC-9s, and later, Boeing 707s and DC-10s. Since then, THY has flown the Boeing 727, 757, MCDD MD-80 and the most modern 737 and 777 airplanes. Turkish Technic, a prominent subsidiary of the airline, is a world-class maintenance center for 737 airplanes, with certifications from regulatory authorities throughout the region and beyond, Boeing said.

Engines

Delta Air Lines selected **CFM International** CFM56-5B engines to power the 37 **Airbus** A321ceo (Current Engine Option) aircraft that it ordered in April. The first airplanes are scheduled for delivery in 2017. The order also includes a five-year **Material Support Agreement** (**MSA**) for the CFM56-5B/-7B engines in the **Delta** fleet. These A321s will join the other 126 CFM-powered A319 and A320 aircraft

that **Delta** current operates. The airline recently took delivery of its first A321-200 and is using the aircraft to gradually replace less-efficient MD-80 aircraft that are being retired from its fleet.

Pratt & Whitney and Vietjet Air celebrated the airline's selection of the PurePower Geared Turbofan (GTF) engines to power 63 Airbus A320neo and A321neo aircraft that it ordered in 2014 and 2015. The first A320neo deliveries are expected in 2017. Pratt & Whitney said it has more than 7,000 orders, including options for the PurePower Geared Turbofan engine family, from more than 70 customers in more than 30 countries. The PurePower engine family has completed more than 58,000 cycles and 35,000 hours of testing. Vietjet operates an extensive flight network in Vietnam and is expanding its operation throughout the Asia-Pacific region. The airline's mission is to meet the increasing travel demands of domestic and international travelers by providing on-time flights and a high quality of service, helping to lead the

SMBC Aviation Capital, the world's third largest aircraft leasing company, has ordered ten **CFM International** LEAP-1A engines to power five Airbus A320neo aircraft. The engine order was valued at \$140 million (\$14 million each) at list price. This is a follow on to **SMBC's** initial LEAP-1A order for 60 engines that the company announced at the Paris Air **Show** in June 2015; the 30 aircraft were part of an order for 110 A320neos placed in 2014. A long-time CFM customer, Dublin-based SMBC Aviation Capital, currently has a fleet of more than 350 aircraft powered by CFM56 and LEAP engines in service or on order. The LEAP-1A engine is on track to enter into service in mid-2016 and will provide operators with a 15 percent improvement in fuel efficiency; an equivalent reduction in CO2 emissions; a 50 percent margin to new emissions regulations, and a dramatically lower noise signature, CFM said.



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Vietnam aviation industry into a new era. The airline ordered 100 **Boeing** 737 MAX 200s fitted with **CFM International** LEAP-1B engines in May.

The Federal Aviation Administration Certified Pratt & Whitney's PurePower PW1400G-JM engine which will power Irkut Corporation's MC-21 aircraft. Three Geared Turbofan (GTF) engine variants have been certified for the Airbus A320neo Family, the Bombardier CSeries and most recently for the MC-21. "This milestone is another huge step forward for the PurePower engine program, which brings unmatched operational benefits including double-digit reductions in noise, emissions and fuel burn, making for greener skies," said Greg Gernhardt, President, Commercial Engines Programs, Pratt & Whitney. "The technology behind the GTF engine is a gamechanging force in the aviation industry for all the right reasons and we are excited that the PW1400G -JM engine is moving one step closer to powering Irkut's MC-21 aircraft and providing the renowned benefits for which this engine is so highly regarded." A

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Technical

The Boeing 737 MAX 8 completed high altitude flight testing in La Paz, Bolivia, and returned from the first international trip by a member of the 737 MAX flight-test fleet. The airport's 13,300-foot (4,050-meter) altitude tested the MAX's capability to take off and land at high altitudes, which can affect overall airplane performance. The company

Rolls-Royce dispatched the first 'shipset' of four engines to Airbus as part of its largest order for 200 engines from Emirates. The Trent 900 engines left **Rolls-Royce** factory at Derby, U.K., for Toulouse, France, where they will be fitted to an A380 aircraft. The airline's first of 50 A380-841s will enter service later this year. The engine manufacturer is providing **TotalCare** service as well as Trent engines to Eric Emirates. Schulz, Rolls-Rovce, President-Civil Aerospace, said, "This is an important milestone in delivering the lar-gest order in our history for a highly-respected customer. We look forward to celebrating **Emirates'** first **Rolls-Royce** powered A380 flight and ensuring the entire fleet has a smooth entry into service." The **Emirates** order was announced last year and confirmed the Trent 900 as the engine of choice on the four-engine A380. It has now secured more than 50 percent market share on the aircraft, in addition to being selected by the majority of A380 customers, Rolls said. Emirates recently confirmed that it will operate two additional A380s that will be powered by the Trent engine with **TotalCare**[®] service support. The two A380-842s (SN 162 & 167) were cancelled by Skymark Airlines, Japan, last year, and picked up by Emirates in April. The Trent 900 powered the first commercial A380 in 2007, and it is now used by eight operators on more than 70 aircraft, having logged nearly five million in-service flight hours. The Trent 900 is assembled in both Derby and Singapore.

said, "The engines and other systems performed well, as expected, under extreme conditions. That's exactly what we wanted to see." The three test airplanes completed more than 100 flights and flight testing for the 737 MAX is on schedule. The fourth test airplane will fly in the coming weeks, and the MAX program is on track for first delivery in the third quarter of 2017.

Deer Jet, China, the largest business jet company in Asia, will become the first operator of a VVIP BBJ 787, **Boeing** announced at the **European Business Aviation Conference and Exhibition (EBACE)**, the largest business aviation event in Europe. The VVIP BBJ 787 is truly a "Dream Jet", **Boeing** said. It has a range of 16,000 kilometers and can fly nonstop for 17.5 hours at Mach 0.85. Its lower cabin pressure, fresher air and the 220 square meter large cabin area would ensure an extremely comfortable flying experience. **Denzil White**, President of **Deer Jet's** subsidiary **Hong Kong Jet**, said, "This VVIP BBJ 787 is the most high-end business jet in the world. Becoming its operator shows the strength of



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Deer Jet's global operations capabilities." **Deer Jet** currently operates nearly 90 business jets, including four BBJs, which means it already has significant experience operating **Boeing Business Jets**.

Comlux America, based in Indianapolis Indiana, signed their 12th VIP interior completion for a BBJ 737-700IGW aircraft. The aircraft entered their facility in January and it is scheduled for completion in March 2017. This **Boeing Business Jet** completion is for a private customer based in the Far East.

Cargo Pallet

FedEx Acquired TNT Express. The acquisition was valued at €4.4 billion (\$4.924 billion) and it combines the strengths of the companies, which are the world's largest air express network and an unparalleled European road network. The deal will expand FedEx's existing portfolio and reshape the global transportation and logistics industry. "This acquisition is a significant accomplishment and marks the beginning of a new era, filled with promise for our people, customers and shareowners," said FedEx Chairman and CEO, Frederick W. Smith. "We are proud to celebrate the joining of two iconic companies and the approximately 400,000 team members who are committed to serving customers around the world. The timing of this historic event is important, particularly in the current market environment where global e-commerce is growing at double-digit rates." Mr. Smith commented, "Adding TNT's capabilities to our existing world-class suite of services, including GENCO and the recently relaunched FedEx CrossBorder, will further expand the ability of FedEx to support business connections around the world." FedEx has started the process of integrating the two operations, and it has a good track record of successful acquisition integrations in the U.S. and globally.

PEMCO World Air Services, a cargo aircraft conversion company, redelivered another **Boeing** 737-300 freighter (SN 28972) to China-based **SF Airlines**, in April. **SF Airlines** is a leading courier in China and provides delivery service to over 15 countries, including the United States. The conversion was performed by **PEMCO's** partner **STAECO** in Jinan, Shandong, China. This was the 15th 737-300/400 **PEMCO** converted aircraft to be completed for **SF Airlines** since 2013. Four more **PEMCO** converted aircraft will be added to **SF Airlines'** cargo fleet in 2016. The 737-300 freighter provides nine pallet positions, up to 43,100 pounds of payload, 4,600 cubic feet of total volume, and a max range exceeding 2,000 miles. Today **PEMCO** and its three regional conversion installation partners, provides seamless global product support to operators of their **Boeing**

737 converted freighters.

Aeronautical Engineers, Inc. (AEI) signed an contract to provide up to 30 twelve-pallet position Boeing 737-800SF conversions for an undisclosed customer in May. The agreement includes 15 firm orders and 15 options. The first modifications will begin in late 2018, and the planes will be redelivered to the customer beginning in 2019. To date, AEI has received a total of 80 firm orders and commitments for its twelve-pallet position 737-800SF. The first aircraft for the 737-800SF conversion program is currently at Commercial Jet's facility in Miami, Florida.

Demand for Global Air Freight fell 2 percent in March on subdued growth in world trade, IATA reported. Another reason for the drop was the impact of a U.S. port strike that had bolstered year-earlier figures. Available capacity rose 6.9 percent in the month, with load factor down by 4.0 percentage points to 43.5 percent. "Expectations of purchasing managers give little optimism for an early uptick. The combination of fierce competition, capacity increases and stagnant demand makes this a very difficult environment in which to generate profits," IATA Director General Tony Tyler said in a statement. Demand for air freight is measured in freight ton kilometers.



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Aeronautical Engineers signed a contract with Automatic in May, to provide two 11-pallet position Boeing 737-400SF freighter conversions. The standard gross weight, 1993-era, aircraft (SN 25844 & 25859), are being modified by Commercial Jet in Miami, Florida. The freighters will be re-delivered to Automatic in September 2016 and January 2017, respectively. In April, AEI was contracted by Vallair, Châteauroux, France, to convert four 737-400s into 11-pallet position -400SF freighters. All of the conversions will be performed at Commercial Jet's Dothan, Alabama facility. Work on the first airplane started in May and the rest will follow in June, July and September 2016.

Precision Aircraft Solutions has received a total of eight new orders for Boeing 757-200PCF passenger-to-freighter conversions — two from China Air Cargo Corp., a new cargo airline, and eight from China Postal Airlines, based in Beijing. Precision's 757-200 freighter and combi configurations lead the conversion industry with the lowest operating empty weight in production, the highest payload possible, the greatest weight upgrades available, and the only winglet-compatible design in the world, the company said.

Military Market

Airbus Defence & Space Flew the 14th and Final Royal Air Force A330 Voyager tanker to

announced that its first Boeing 737-800NG passenger-to-freighter conversion was started by Miami-based Aeronautical Engineers Inc. (AEI). GECAS announced the launch of its **AEI** passenger-to-freighter conversion program at the **Paris Air Show** in June 2015. The 1999-vintage 737-86J/W (SN 29121) arrived in May and was previously operated by Corendon Airlines, Turkey. This will be AEI's first 737-800NG freighter conversion; the touch work and subsequent certification process are scheduled to take approximately one year. The aircraft will be equipped with a rigid cargo barrier and have 12 main deck pallet positions, including 11 88" X 125" AAA full height containers, plus a one-half width AEP/AEH container. The aircraft has a maximum structural payload of 23,500 kg (51,800lb) and a max range of over 2,100 nautical miles. **GECAS** plans to have **AEI** convert up to 20 of its 737-800NG passenger aircraft to freighters. Additionally the 737-800SF freighter will incorporate an 86" X 140" main cargo door and will include up to five supernumerary seats. The conversions will be performed authorized AEI Conversion Centers facilities in the U.S. and Asia. **GECAS** is also the launch customer for Boeing's 738BCF **Program**, and a similar 737-800 aircraft will be inducted into their program later this year.

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the ILA Berlin Airshow (ahead of its planned delivery to the program's manager AirTanker in July). The plane (SN 1610) flew from Airbus's Getafe, Spain, production facility and landed at Schönefeld Airport in Berlin, where it was displayed to the public at the ILA. This last aircraft fulfills the 2004 Future Strategic Tanker Aircraft (FSTA) contract, and followed the delivery of FSTA13 (SN 1601) in February. These two A330s were converted into civilian configuration after delivery. Nine of the 14 Voyagers in the U.K.'s FSTA fleet are full time tankers in RAF's fleet and the other five are considered "surge" aircraft, including these last two. Three other NATO countries, the Netherlands, Norway and Poland will jointly operate a fleet of A330 multirole tanker transports under the Multinational MRTT Fleet (MMF), and an order contract is pending. Germany may also join the MMF after the initial contract is signed, in order to replace its aging Airbus A310 tanker fleet.

Boeing's KC-46 Tanker Program will miss its contractual deadline to deliver 18 ready-to-go aircraft to the **U.S. Air Force** by August 2017, due to ongoing issues with the KC-46's refueling systems. The new tanker is no stranger to schedule slips, and **Boeing** will have more time to implement the solution to



May 2016 Page 15 of 23 a refueling boom loads issue identified during flight testing earlier this year. The first KC-46 is now due in August 2017, and the 18th tanker will be delivered in January 2018.

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Airbus

Airbus A319. No **Airbus** A319s were delivered in April. **Allegiant** signed an agreement to buy **CEBU Pacific Air's** last four A319-111s. The aircraft are scheduled to be handed over in 2017 and 2018. **Allegiant** previously agreed to purchase six A319s from the Philippine low-cost carrier, and has taken delivery of three of them with the other three planes arriving later this year. By the end of 2016, **Allegiant** will have 16 A320s, 17 A319s and 52 MD-80s in service. The airline expects to add more aircraft as opportunities to buy arise.

Airbus A320. Airbus delivered 25 A320s during April, including the fourth -271n NEO (SN 6860) to

IndiGo, India. The plane was sold to Avolon and leased back. The airplane is the first of a number of A320neo sale and leaseback transactions contracted with IndiGo and raises to 21 the number of aircraft leased by Avolon to IndiGo. In China, BOC Aviation took delivery of four -214/Ws during the month. It leased two -214/Ws (SN 7035 & 7077) to **Hong Kong Airlines**, one -214/W (SN 7068) to Capital Airlines, and one -214/W (SN 7080) to Vanilla Air. This was the first of three A320s that BOC will lease to ANA Holdings for its whollyowned subsidiary, Vanilla Air. China Southern Airlines received two -214/Ws (SN 6974 & 6996). China Eastern Airlines accepted -214/W (SN 6950) and leased -214/W (SN 6959) from CDB Leasing. Loong Air bought -214/W (SN 6941), and Spring Airlines received two -214/Ws (SN 6931 & 6964) and sold them to China West Air, upon delivery. All five -214/Ws were built by Airbus Tianjin Final Assembly Line (FAL). Air China took delivery of another -232/W (SN 7041), and Shenzhen Airlines obtained -232/W (SN 7075). Elsewhere in Asia, CEBU Pacific Air accepted its 29th -214/W (SN 7066) and AirAsia took delivery of two -216/Ws (SN 6972 & 7057). The Malaysian parent transferred the first -216/W to AirAsia Japan and the second -216/W to Thai Air Asia. It was purchased by Avolon as part of a sale and leaseback transaction. In Europe, Vueling purchased three more new -232/Ws (SN 7026, 7028 & 7109) from Airbus, and easyJet obtained two -214/Ws (SN 7067 & 7093). Lufthansa accepted -214/W (SN 7056), and transferred

Airbus U.S. Manufacturing Facility delivered the first A321-231/W (SN 6621) to American Airlines on May 17, at Mobile, Alabama. On hand for the occasion were executives from Airbus and American Airlines and representatives of the more than 350 employees at the facility. Bob Lekites, Executive Vice President-Customers, Airbus Americas said, "With this delivery, we are adding a very special aircraft to those already sporting the American livery – an Airbus aircraft built here in the U.S.A. This is the first of many American **Airlines** airplanes to be delivered from Mobile, and we are proud it will join a growing, thriving fleet." Airbus announced it would build a single-aisle assembly line in Mobile in 2012, and less than one year later, it broke ground on the \$600 million facility. The ceremonial inauguration of the plant took place in September 2015. The American aircraft made its first flight on April 19, 2016. **Airbus** will initially deliver A320 Family aircraft with the Current Engine Option (CEO), but will begin transitioning to New Engine Option (NEO) derivatives in late 2017.



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it to Eurowings. U.S. airline Virgin America obtained -214/W (SN 7063).

BOC Aviation leased a 10th A320-232/W (SN 7100) aircraft to **Vistara** in May. This is part of the airline's 20 A320 aircraft lease contract with the company.

Air Lease Corporation (ALC) delivered one new A320-214/W (SN 7095) to **Frontier Airlines** in May – the first of two new A320 deliveries on long-term lease from **ALC's** order book with **Airbus**. The second -214/W is scheduled for delivery in the fall of 2016.

SMBC Aviation Capital leased an A320-200 aircraft to Aerovias Del Continente Americano S.A. (Avianca) in May. This is the third aircraft of a four-aircraft sale and leaseback transaction.

Airbus A321. Airbus delivered 16 A321s in April, including two -211/Ws (SN 7035 & 7061) to Delta Air Lines, and it will take delivery of another dozen A321ceos this year. Spirit Airlines received two -231/Ws (SN 7021 & 7058), and JetBlue Airways obtained its 22nd and 23rd of 46 -231/Ws (SN 6512 & 6988). The first -231/W (SN 6512) was built at the Airbus U.S. Manufacturing Facility at Mobile, Alabama. American Airlines accepted another -231/W (SN 7069), and Frontier Airlines acquired its seventh -211/W (SN 7097), and sold it to GECAS for lease back. LATAM Airlines Group took delivery of two -211/Ws (SN 7036 & 7081) and transferred the first to one to LATAM Airlines Chile (LAN) and the second to LATAM Airlines Brazil (TAM). In Asia, ICBC—Industrial and Commercial Bank of China leased -231/W (SN 7052) to Asiana Airlines, and BOC Aviation leased -211/W (SN 7054) to EVA Air. CIT Aerospace leased -231/W (SN 7076) to Beijing Capital Airlines. The aircraft was powered by IAE V2533-A5 engines and was the first airplane CIT has delivered to the airline. Turkish Airlines accepted -231/W (SN 7089), and China Eastern Airlines took delivery of -211/W (SN 7090).

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SMBC Aviation Capital delivered an A321-231 (SN 2862) to **JSC Ural Airlines**, from its owned portfolio. This is the sixth aircraft that **Ural Airlines** has leased from **SMBC Aviation Capital**.

Airbus A330. Airbus delivered a fourth -202 (SN 1719) to **Iberia** in April, and the seventh -243F freighter (SN 1722) to **Turkish Airlines**. **Turkish** also received its 29th of 30 ordered -303s (SN 1713). **Scandinavian Airlines (SAS)** obtained its eighth and last -343 (SN 1715), and **China Southern Airlines** acquired its 21st of 24 -323s (SN 1714). **Delta Air Lines** add its sixth of 10 -302s (SN 1716).

Air Serbia, the national airline of the Republic of Serbia, leased its first widebody aircraft, an A330-202 (SN 885) from **Jet Airways**, India, in May. The A330 will be used on **Air Serbia's** Belgrade-New York route, which it will launch on June 23, 2016. This will be the first direct air service between Serbia and the United States in 24 years.

Tianjin Airlines leased its first A330-243 (SN 919) from AerCap, and the airline said the A330, together with A350s and A320s, will form the core of its fleet going forward. The A330 was leased to the airline's parent company, **Hainan Airlines** from delivery in April 2008 until it was transferred to **Tianjin** in May 2016. The A330 seats 260 passengers and was put into service from Tianjin to Kunming and Chengdu on May 7. It will fly to Moscow and London in June. **Tianjin** will add 15 aircraft to its fleet this year, including three A330s. It will retire four **Embraer** ERJ-145s. Over the next five years, the airline plans to add at least 10 A330s, which will help expand its international long-haul network. It also has 16 Embraer E195s and two E190-E2s on order.



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AerFin, U.K., purchased **Airbus** A340-312 (SN 374). The aircraft will return to operation following reconfiguration into a VIP transport. **AerFin** CEO **Bob James** commented, "We continue to experience market demand for quality A340-300 aircraft for continued operation under **AerFin** CFM56-5C4 engine and component support programs." The A340 will be operated by **Air X Charter**, Malta.

Airbus A350. Singapore Airlines accepted its second -941 (SN 030), and Finnair received its fifth -941 (SN 023) in April. Finnair has secured financing, arranged by BNP Paribas, for the A350 XWB, worth approximately €128 million (\$142.25 million). It uses a Japanese Operating Lease with

Airbus A380. Emirates accepted its 76th and 77th -861s (SN 208 & 209) in April. The A380s are fitted with 615 seats in two classes. The Dubai carrier leased -861 (SN 208) from an Amedeo wholly-owned subsidiary, AA4P Zeta, which bought the plane for a reported \$275 million from Emirates. The leases run for 12 years at fixed rentals. Etihad Airways received its seventh -841 (SN 198) in April, and it took delivery of its eighth -861 (SN 199) in May. The airline has two more (SN 233 & 237) on order. Airbus has 132 of its flagship airliners on backlog.

Call Option (JOLCO) structure. **Finnair** CFO **Pekka Vähähyyppä** said, "This transaction represents yet another successful A350-900 financing for **Finnair**, and the third we have done using this structure. This aircraft type is the base from which we will continue to execute our growth strategy in Asia."

Cathay Pacific Airways became the sixth airline to operate the A350-941 (SN 029) when the aircraft arrived at its home base in Hong Kong on May 28. Cathay Pacific has configured its A350-900 with a premium three class layout with a total of 280 seats, comprising 38 in Business Class convertible to fully lie-flat beds, 28 in Premium Economy and 214 in the main cabin. After an initial period of flying on regional routes, Cathay Pacific's A350-900 will begin long-haul operations later this year. The airline has ordered a total of 22 A350-900s and 26 of the larger A350-1000s.

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Boeing

Boeing 737 NG. Boeing delivered 31 737-800s and four -900ERs in April, including eight -8AS/Ws (SN 44732, 44733, 44735, 44736, 44737, 44738, 44741 & 62691) to **Ryanair.** The airline has taken delivery of 408 -800NGs and it has 123 more -800NGs and 100 MAX-8s on order. Turkish Airlines received three -8F2/Ws (SN 60018, 60019 & 60031), and SunExpress Airlines bought two -8HC/Ws (SN 61180 & 61181). Also in Europe, Norwegian Air Shuttle acquired one -8JP/Ws (SN 42074) for a total of 71, and has 29 more on order. Transavia Company SAS obtained one -8K2/W (SN 62150), and transferred it to Transavia France. Transavia France also leased one -8K2/W (SN 41343) from Air Lease Corp. (ALC). In Asia, China Eastern Airlines took delivery of its 55th and 56th -89P/Ws (SN 41487 & 61682) from a total order of 90. The later plane (SN 61682) was the 9,000th 737 that **Boeing** built, and it was transferred to China United Airlines. GECAS leased a 15th -86N/W (SN 43413) to Hainan Airlines and the second of five -86N/Ws (SN 60695) to Air India Express. A third -86N/W (SN 60696) was leased to the Indian carrier in May. **Donghai Airlines** acquired -83Z/W (SN 61272), and Hebei Airlines bought -8LW/W (SN 42967). Shandong Airlines accepted -85N/W (SN 61425), and leased -85N/W (SN 42154) from Aviation Capital Group (ACG). ACG leased -89P/W (SN 42153) to Shanghai Airlines. SilkAir obtained -8SA/W (SN 44231), and Lion Air sold -8GP/W (SN 40060) to **Avolon** after delivery. It was leased to **Thai Lion Air**. In Africa, **Air Algérie** acquired -8D6/W (SN 60749). In the United States, **Boeing** delivered the 54th -8FV (P-8A Poseidon, SN 49945) to the U.S. Navy. Southwest Airlines received its 107th -8H4/W (SN 36653), and American Airlines accepted its 271st of 305 -823/Ws (SN 33338). Two U.S. airlines accepted two -900ERs each. Alaska



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Airlines bought two more -990ER/Ws (SN 36351 & 61680) and it has 23 on order. **Delta Air Lines** acquired its 57th and 58th of 100 ordered -932ER/Ws (SN 31968 & 31969).

CIT Aerospace leased 737-8BK/W (SN 33017) to Sun Country Airlines, a U.S. airline based at Minneapolis—Saint Paul International Airport. The aircraft is powered by CFM56-7B26 engines. AWAS acquired two 737-800s from another lessor. The airplanes continue to be leased to flydubai and Norwegian Air Shuttle. AWAS will continue to acquire attractive aircraft on-lease globally.

GE Capital Aviation Services leased one 737 -86N/W to its new Thai airline customer NewGen Airways to expand the carrier's fleet. A second leased -800 aircraft will be handed over in May. Both aircraft feature split scimitar winglets which reduce fuel burn by up to 2.3 percent on longer-haul routes compared to blended winglets. NewGen Airways is based in Bangkok, and currently operates scheduled and charter services to destinations in China with a fleet of four 737-400s and two 737-800s.

Boeing 767. Boeing delivered the 27th of 102 -3S2F(ER)s (SN 42721) to FedEx in April.

Boeing 777. Boeing delivered one 777F and seven -300ERs in April. Qatar Airways obtained the -FDZ freighter (SN 62083), and Emirates Airlines took delivery of its 84th of 120 ordered -31HERs (SN 42331). Boeing handed over one -39PER (SN 43278) to China Eastern Airlines and -31BER (SN 43227) to China Southern Airlines. Swiss Global Air Lines purchased its third of six -3DEERs (SN 44584), and Air France accepted another -328ER (SN 61701), filling a previously unannounced order. It was the airline's 70th 777. The French flag carrier played a pivotal role in the success of the 777 program and was the launch customer for both the 777-300ER in 2004 and the 777 Freighter in 2009. Air France took delivery of its first 777-228ER in March 1998. Air Canada received -333ER (SN 62400), and TAAG Angola Airlines acquired -3M2ER (SN 43254). The latest -300ER enables TAAG to augment its flagship service between Angola and Portugal, which increases to twice-daily effective June, 2016. TAAG Angola Airlines is based at Quatro de Fevereiro Airport, Luanda, and serves 31 domestic and international destinations with a fleet of 14 airplanes, including 737s and 777-200ERs.

China Airlines took delivery of the world's first co-branded 777 at Everett. This was the carrier's 10th 777-309ER (SN 43982), and it is painted in a **Boeing Centennial** paint scheme. Each of the airline's 10 777s can seat 358 passengers in a three-class layout which features the new "Family Couch" seats in economy class. The airline's Family Couch seats convert into a flat surface to provide passengers with added rest and relaxation.

Boeing 787. Boeing delivered two 787-8s and eight 787-9s in April. Qatar Airways acquired its 28th -8 (SN 383456), and it has another two -8s (SN 38347 & 38348) on order. Scoot, Singapore, received its fifth -8 (SN 37122) and it has three more -8s (SN 37123, 37124 & 37125) on order. Air Canada acquired two more -9s (SN 37172 & 37180) for a total of 10. KLM Royal Dutch Airlines took delivery of its first of 19 -9s (SN 42486) and it leases another four from AerCap. British Airways received its eighth -9 (SN 38626) in March. The deliveries of two more -9s (SN 38623 & 38624) were delayed by a shortage of seats from Zodiac. Etihad Airways acquired its sixth -9 (SN 39651), and Saudi Arabian Airlines obtained its fourth of eight -9s (SN 41547). MG Aviation Limited leased its second of four -9s (SN 37308) to Norwegian Long Haul. Vietnam Airlines accepted its fifth of eight ordered -9s (SN 39287).



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Cabot Aviation, a division of Air Partner and an aircraft remarketing agent, was appointed by **Crystal Acquisition Company** to remarket a 787-8 aircraft. The aircraft is due for delivery in November 2016 and will have GE GEnx-1B70 engines. The aircraft will be configured with 262 passenger seats in an 18CC and 244YC configuration. Cabot's other current mandates include five **Boeing** 747-400 passenger and freighter aircraft for China Airlines and two 777-200ERs from Kenya Airways. The original mandate from Kenya was for four aircraft, but Cabot has already successfully sold and delivered two of these to Omni Air International in the U.S. In addition, Cabot Aviation also has mandates to remarket two Embraer E170LRs, one 737-700 and a Bombardier Challenger 850.

Air Austral celebrated the delivery of its first 787-8 Dreamliner (SN 34510) on May 23. It is one of the early build 787-8s (Line Number 22) that was rolled out without engines in 2010, and was originally allocated to **All Nippon.** It flew for the first time in January 2016, and ironically, it was the 300th 787-8 that **Boeing** delivered, six years after it was built. The newest addition to the **Air**

Boeing Cannot Deliver 787-8s to Ethiopian Airlines. The manufacturer completed the first (SN 34505, Line Number 12) of six early-build Dreamliners that **Ethiopian Airlines** ordered. It flew on May 11 and Boeing has nearly finished the second, (SN 34498, LN 14). It was rolled out in May and it was undergoing final assembly tasks of the interior and tail while sitting on the apron at Everett. Both planes were assembled in 2010 or 2011 but each will be considered new at the time of the first flight. The deliveries to **Ethiopian** are being held up by the fact that the U.S. Export - Import **Bank** cannot finance their purchase until it has three people on the bank's board. The bank needs a quorum of three out of five board members to approve loans of more than \$10 million. There are currently two sitting members, but the approval of a third board member is being blocked by a single U.S. Senator, **Richard Shelby** (R-Alabama). Mr. **Shelby** represents the state that is home of the new Airbus U.S. Manufacturing Facility at Mobile, Alabama.

Austral long-haul fleet touched down at Roland Garros Airport at Saint-Marie, Reunion, after a 10,500-mile (16,898-kilometer) delivery flight from the Boeing Everett Delivery Center. The airline announced its order for two 787-8 Dreamliners in 2015. The airline was founded in 1975 and currently operates nine aircraft to more than 10 destinations worldwide.

Air China took delivery of its first 787-9 Dreamliner (SN 34305) in May and put it on display at Beijing. The flag carrier was the first airline in China to operate a 787-9. This is the first of 15 Dreamliners set to join the fleet. **Boeing** said the 787-9 complements and extends the 787 family. With the fuselage stretched by 20 feet (6 meters), the 787-9 can fly another 40 passengers an additional 285 nautical miles (527 km) compared to the 787-8, with the same exceptional environmental performance, **Boeing** said.

GE Capital Aviation Services (GECAS) purchased and leased back one **Boeing** 787-9 (SN 35270) with **Air Canada.** A second **General Electric** GEnx powered aircraft (SN 37170) is scheduled for delivery to the airline in June, and both aircraft are part of **Air Canada's** order book with **Boeing. Air Canada** placed an order for 37 **Boeing** 787s and the May delivery was the 20th 787 to join the fleet. The flag carrier is Canada's largest domestic and international airline and it serves more than 200 cities on six continents. It is among the 20 largest airlines in the world, and in 2015, it flew more than 41 million customers. **Air Canada** (including **Air Canada** *rouge*) currently operates a fleet of some 210 aircraft.



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Regional Jet

Bombardier. Air Nostrum, Spain, acquired its 13th CRJ1000 (SN 19047) in April. Trident Jet (Jersey) wet-leased three new CRJ900LRs (SN 15401, SN 13402 & 15403) to CityJet, Ireland, which operates them for SAS – Scandinavian Airlines' regional airline. SAS acquired its 21st CRJ900LR (SN 15406) in May. China Express Airlines accepted CRJ900LR (SN 15397) in April, raising its fleet total to 23. PSA Airlines received two more CRJ900NGs (SN 15390 & 15393) in April and they will be operated for American Airlines under the American Eagle brand. The airline took delivery of three CRJ900NGs (SN 15404, 15405 & 15407) for American Eagle in May.

Embraer. Embraer delivered two EMBRAER 170-200 LRs (E175) (SN 17000553 & 17000556) to Republic Airlines for operation for United Express in April. American Airlines acquired one more E175 (SN 17000550) for its American Eagle regional airline. The airplane is operated by an American Airlines Group subsidiary, Envoy Air, which now flies 12 E175s for its parent. Embraer delivered one EMBRAER 190-200 (E195) (SN 19000706) to Tainjin Airlines and E190 (SN 19000707) to Colorful Guizhou Airlines, China, in April.

Embraer delivered the first E190 (SN 19000708) to **J-AIR**, the regional subsidiary of **Japan**

Sukhoi. CityJet leased the first of 15 Superjet 100s (SN 95102), and it was delivered at Venice, Italy in May. The airline has options for 16 more in a \$1 billion deal which includes servicing. CityJet operates eight routes into the small London City Airport and a service linking to Air France's hub at Paris Charles de Gaulle. It expects to take delivery of three Superjets this year, with the remainder arriving from 2017.

Aeroflot accepted its 37th SSJ-100-95B (SN 95101) in April and leased it from **Sberbank Leasing**. It acquired its 38th SSJ (SN 95100) in May. The airline traded in its first 10 SSJs to the manufacturer and now has 28 Sukhoi Superjets in service. **Aeroflot** will receive another two SSJs (SN 95103 & 95107) later this year.

Sukhoi's civil aircraft division delivered two Superjet 100s in the first quarter, which was half the number delivered in the same period last year. The reduction in deliveries resulted in a 36 percent slump in revenues to 3.5 billion roubles (\$54 million) under Russian accounting standards — a decline in performance exacerbated by U.S. dollar-denominated contracts having contributed substantially to the previous year's activity. It said it delivered a total of 86 Superjets by March 31, 2016.

Airlines, on April 20. The inaugural revenue flight took place between Osaka (**Itami Airport**) and Kagoshima. A second E190 (SN 19000712) will be delivered shorly. **J-AIR** also operates 17 E170s and **Fuji Dream Airlines** operates three E170s and seven E175s. The E190 is configured in dual class with genuine leather seats.

TAP Express became the newest airline to operate **Embraer's** E-Jets in Europe, when it leased two ex-Azul Linhas Aéreas Brasileiras E190s (SN 19000495 & 19000550) from Air Lease Corp. The company launched scheduled E190 flights from Lisbon to various destinations of its intra-European network. The airline will acquire nine used E190s in the coming months. The airline will use the 106-seat E190s to replace Fokker 100 jets, planes that were in service for over 25 years. The aircraft will operate under the **TAP Express** brand, which is the new name for **Portugalia PGA Airlines**. The name change is intended to offer greater brand and product consistency for **TAP Portugal**, and strengthen its commercial identity.



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Turboprop Aircraft

ATR delivered ATR 72-600 (SN 1307) to PNG Air, Papua New Guinea, in April. TransAsia Airways received one -600 (SN 1318), and Bangkok Airlines accepted one -600 (SN 1320). Flybe leased -600 (SN 1322) from AVAP and is operating it for SAS Scandinavian Airlines. Aer Lingus Regional's new -600 (SN 1325) is being operated for the airline by Stobart Air. Air India Regional acquired its sixth -600 (SN 1268) in April. The airplane first flew in July 2015 and is leased from Elix. A second Elix ATR (SN 1273) was leased in May, and a third (SN 1279) is due shortly. Those two ATRs first flew in September, 2015. Nesma Airlines, Saudi Arabia, took delivery of their two first new ATR 72-600s (SN 1311 & 1312), in May. These aircraft were leased from DAE Capital, Dubai.

Nordic Aviation Capital (NAC) purchased and immediately leased back three Embraer E190s (SN 19000271, 19000295 & 19000330 and one E195 (SN 19000260) with long standing customer Azul Linhas Aéreas **Brasileiras**. The transaction also involved the continuation of four ATR 72-600 leases to **Azul** (SN 971, 992, 998 & 1054), as part of the larger Air Lease Corp. (ALC) transaction signed in December 2015. This raised to 24 the total number of aircraft currently on lease to the Brazilian airline. Nordic Aviation Capital recently leased one used E190 (SN 19000275) to Austral Líneas Aéreas, Argentina. This is the first delivery of a four aircraft lease deal signed in 2015. In addition, NAC delivered one E190 (SN 19000176) to Arkia Israeli Airlines and one **Bombardier** Dash 8O-400 (SN 4406) to Spicejet, India, on lease. Austral, Arkia and **Spicejet** are all new customers to **NAC**.

Nordic Aviation Capital (NAC) leased the 13th new ATR 72-600 (SN 1321) to PT Garuda Indonesia in May. It is part of a 20 aircraft lease deal signed in 2014. NAC leased a second ATR 72-500 (SN 570) to Canary Fly, Spain, and it leased one -500 (SN 743) to Air Pegasus.

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Bombardier delivered the 28th new Q400 NextGen (SN 4522) to **Westjet Encore** in April. The airline has one more (SN 4526) due soon. **Air Côte d'Ivoire** received his fourth Q400 (SN 4521). In May, **Air Canada Express** acquired two Q400s (SN 4523 & 4524). They are operated by **Jazz Air.**

Antiques and Other Junque

Werner Aero Services acquired another Boeing 737-781ER/W (SN 33879), which was powered by CFM56-7B engines and was operated by ANA, Japan, for the last nine years. The aircraft will soon be disassembled and the components will become available to support Werner's growing 737 customer base around the world. There is no record that the airplane was damaged in an accident so it is remarkable that such a young 737 would be parted out.

Vallair, Châteauroux, France, has acquired two 26-year old, ex-**US Airways** A320-231s (SN 065 & 077) in February 2016, and both aircraft will be ferried shortly to the company's facility for disassembly. The company is part of the Franco-Luxembourgish **Valliere Aviation Group** and was created in 2003. **Vallair** specializes in the acquisition of end of life A320, 737 and ATR aircraft. To date, the company has acquired more than 25 A320s, 20 737s and four ATRs along with 40 CFM56-3/-5 and V2500 power plants. **Vallair** said it provides solutions for aircraft and engine trading and leasing, spare parts sales and inventory management, cargo conversions and commercial aircraft disassembly and recycling. In addition, the company has state of the art composite repair facilities for nacelles, thrust reversers and flight controls (MRO).



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VAS Aero Services, an aviation logistics and aftermarket service, purchased Boeing 777-2H6ER (SN 28414) from Aircastle Advisor. Aircastle will retain ownership of the aircraft's Rolls-Royce Trent engines and sell them separately, while VAS will disassemble the airframe and manage redistribution of the component parts to VAS's key OEM, airline, and MRO customers. The 18-year old airplane was operated by Malaysian Airlines until being retired in August 2015.

AerFin Ltd., U.K., acquired **Embraer** E170 (SN 17000106) from **SMBC Aviation Capital**. "**AerFin** continues to work with a number of regional airlines to progress the continued operation of the E170 aircraft under an inclusive **AerFin** spares support program" said CEO **Bob James.** The ex-**Finnair** E170 was nearly 10 years old when it was retired in September 2015.

Accidents and Safety

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Silk Way Airlines, Azerbaijan, **Antonov** An-12B cargo airplane (4K-AZ25, SN 3341209) with nine crew members on board crashed in Afghanistan on May 18, 2016. Seven of the nine were killed, and the aircraft was written off when the plane failed to takeoff from **Dwyer** military airfield in southern Afghanistan.

EgyptAir Airbus A320-232 (SU-GCC, SN 2088) crashed into the Mediterranean Sea approximately 200 kilometers (120 miles) north of the Egyptian coast line at approximately 3:00 hours May 19. The aircraft was flying from Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport, France, to Cairo after operating several flights the prior day. At about 19:00 hours local time, EgyptAir confirmed that pieces of wreckage were found in the sea. The press reported that the aircraft suddenly made a 90 degree turn left, followed by a 360 degrees turn in the opposite direction as it descended from FL370 to FL150 before disappearing off radars. The jet had sent a series of warnings indicating that smoke had been detected on board, shortly before it disappeared off radar screens, but the signals did not indicate what caused the smoke or fire on board the plane. All 56 passengers and 10 crew were killed. It was immediately speculated that a terrorist bomb destroyed the A320 but officials stressed that no scenario, including explosion, was being ruled out. During the search for the aircraft, Egypt's Navy found human remains, wreckage and the personal belongings floating in the Mediterranean about 290 kilometers (180 miles) north of Alexandria. Several countries, including Egypt and France are searching for the flight and cockpit voice recorders, but they have not been recovered. So far, no anti-government group has claimed responsibility.

Conair Aviation Convair CV-580 Airtanker (C-FEKF, SN 80) was engaged in fire suppression activities when it experienced a loss of directional control and left the runway upon landing at **Manning Airport**, Alberta, Canada, on May 5, 2016. The airplane was substantially damaged and the two pilots suffered minor injuries. Photos show the nose landing gear collapsed, and the no.2 engine prop separated completely while the no. 1 engine prop was severely damaged. The airplane first flew as a pistonengined CV340 in 1953.

Flightline Swearingen SA226-AT Merlin IVA cargo plane (EC-GFK, SN AT-062) suffered a landing accident at **Gerona-Costa Brava Airport**, Spain, on April 24, after a cargo flight from Barcelona. The Merlin carried out a gear-up landing with the aircraft coming to rest on the fuselage causing the propeller blades of both engines to become severely bent. The plane was delivered in 1978.



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TAME Ecuador Embraer E190 (HC-COX, 19000372) experienced an apparently intentional emergency ground-loop during a runway overrun in light rain at **Mariscal Lamar International Airport**, Cuenca, Ecuador, on April 28, 2016. The airplane was substantially damaged, but there were no reported injuries among the six crew members and 87 passengers onboard.

Sudanese Air Force Antonov An-26 (registration and serial number unknown) crashed near El Obeid Airport, Sudan, and all five crew members were killed on April 30, 2016.

Air Vallée Fokker F.50 (SE-LEZ, SN 20128) landed at **Catania-Fontanarossa Airport**, Italy, on April 30, 2016, with its nose gear retracted. The nose landing gear failed to deploy, so the approach was abandoned and the F.50 entered a holding pattern to the east of the airport while the crew tried to troubleshoot the problem. Finally they had to perform a forced landing with the nose gear retracted. The **Fokker** was built in 1988.

Batik Air Boeing 737-8GP/W (PK-LBS, SN 39827) collided with TransNusa Aviation Mandiri ATR 42-600 (PK-TNJ, SN 1015) on takeoff from Jakarta-Halim Perdana Kusuma Airport, Indonesia, on April 4, 2016. The 737 struck the ATR when the latter was being towed across the active runway. The left wing of the Boeing 737 struck the empennage and left wing of the ATR 42-600. The Batik Air pilot immediately aborted the takeoff, and that aircraft stopped past the runway threshold and about 400 meters from the point of collision. Both airplanes caught fire and each sustained substantial damage. There were no reported injuries from the accident. The outer 3 meters of the 737's left wing was severed, while the ATR 42s left hand wing, outboard of the engine and entire empennage were severed. The ATR 42 was delivered in September 2014, and leased from AeroCentury. It was declared a write off after the accident. The Batik 737 was delivered in November 2014, and is currently stored and awaiting repair or deconstruction.

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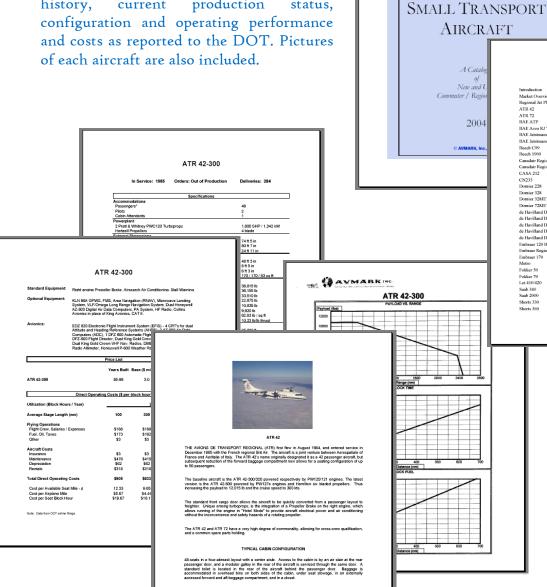
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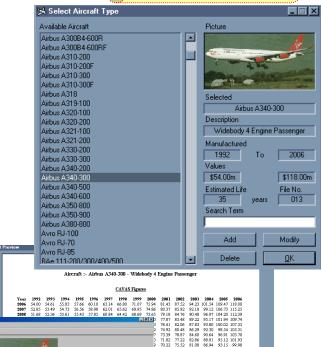


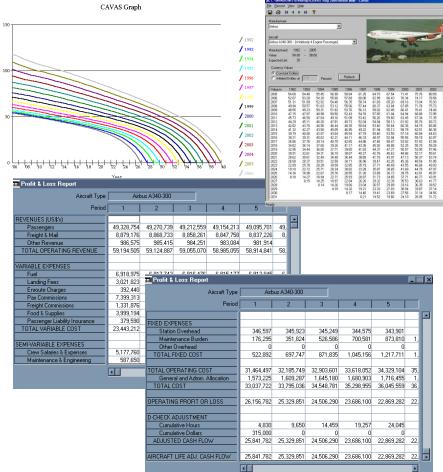
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