CAE GmbH celebrates 50 years of serving German Armed Forces

Cologne, Germany, May 10, 2011 – (NYSE: CAE; TSX: CAE) – CAE’s German subsidiary, CAE Elektronik GmbH, is celebrating its 50th year of serving the German Armed Forces and today marked the occasion at the start of the International Training and Education Conference (ITEC).

CAE Elektronik GmbH was founded in Stolberg, Germany in 1961 after CAE began developing F-104 Starfighter flight simulators for the Luftwaffe and other NATO countries. Since then, CAE GmbH has been providing a range of simulation-based products and services to support the German Armed Forces as well as other European countries. The company today employs more than 600 people in Germany.

“CAE is a global company with a business philosophy of operating close to our customers while leveraging the full breadth and capability of the entire organization,” said Ulrich Aderhold, Managing Director of CAE Elektronik GmbH. “We are extremely proud of our 50 year history in Germany and of the many employees, past and present, who have played a key role in helping the German Armed Forces train and prepare for their missions.”

Some of the programs led by CAE Elektronik GmbH for the German Armed Forces and other NATO countries include:

- CAE designed and manufactured the 12 helicopter simulators at the Hans E. Drebing simulator centre of the German Army Aviation School in Bueckeburg, and currently provides maintenance and training support services;
- CAE designed and manufactured all the Tornado combat aircraft flight simulators for the German Air Force and continues to provide upgrades and support services;
- CAE is one of the consortium partners in Helicopter Flight Training Services (HFTS) that operates a total of three NH90 simulator training centres in Germany for the German Armed Forces’ largest private-finance initiative (PFI) program for military aircrew training;
- For more than 15 years, the German Armed Forces as well as other European armies have been successfully using the CAE GESI constructive simulation system for command and staff training exercises;
- Since 1982, the CAE-built E-3A flight deck simulator has been managed by CAE Elektronik GmbH and has logged more than 110,000 flight hours serving NATO countries.

“We are honoured that the German Armed Forces have placed their trust and confidence in CAE’s simulation technology and training services for the past 50 years,” said Aderhold. “As our customers in Germany and around the world search for innovative ways to maintain readiness while reducing costs, they can rest assured that CAE stands ready as their simulation and training partner.”

ITEC is Europe’s largest conference and exhibition dedicated to simulation and training, and this year is being held at the Koelnmesse in Cologne. During ITEC, CAE will host a hospitality reception at its booth (D120) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of CAE Elektronik GmbH.

CAE is a world leader in providing simulation and modelling technologies and integrated training solutions for the civil aviation industry and defence forces around the globe. With annual revenues exceeding $1.5 billion, CAE employs more than 7,500 people at more than 100 sites and training locations in more than 20 countries. We have the largest installed base of civil and military full-flight simulators and training devices. Through our global network of 32 civil aviation, military and helicopter training centres, we train more than 80,000 crewmembers yearly. We also offer modelling and simulation software to various market segments and, through CAE’s professional services division, we assist customers with a wide range of simulation-based needs. www.cae.com

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