Qatar Executive will be first to train on new Bombardier Challenger 605 simulator at Emirates-CAE Flight Training in Dubai

Dubai, UAE, November 16, 2011 – (NYSE: CAE; TSX: CAE) CAE announced today at the Dubai Airshow that it has entered into a long-term agreement with Qatar Executive, Qatar Airways' corporate jet subsidiary, for pilot training services on the Bombardier Global Express XRS (GEX) and the Bombardier Challenger 605. The training will be conducted at Emirates-CAE Flight Training (ECFT) in Dubai, UAE.

As anchor customer, Qatar Executive pilots will be the first to train on the new Challenger 605 full-flight simulator (FFS) when it is qualified by regulators in early 2012. Training on the Bombardier Global Express XRS (GEX) will begin this month. Training will include initial and recurrent courses for both aircraft as well as a range of CAE e-Learning general operating subjects.

“Private aircraft operated in the Arab world are set to triple over the next 10 years so there will be a growing need for training and maintenance support as this sector flourishes,” said Akbar Al Baker, CEO of Qatar Airways.

“To meet this growing demand, it is essential for us to acquire the best possible quality training for our crew, and to ensure the continuity of Qatar Executive’s success and its growth in the region and across the world we have selected CAE both for their global leadership in training and the convenient access to advanced technology and world-class facilities,” he added.

“Qatar Executive is known for providing a 5-star experience for their clients, and at ECFT we consistently deliver a 5-star training experience for pilots and maintenance technicians,” said Jeff Roberts, CAE Group President, Civil Simulation Products, Training and Services. “We are very pleased for the opportunity to help them achieve their goal of maintaining the highest standards of aviation safety through continuous training of flight crews.”

In the two years since its inception, Qatar Executive has rapidly evolved into a world-class corporate aviation company backed by the global expertise and track record of 5-star ranked carrier, Qatar Airways.

In the short time span, Qatar Executive doubled its wholly owned all-Bombardier fleet, and today operates six corporate jets with an average age of just one year – the youngest fleet of business aircraft in the Gulf. Onboard are the three Challenger 605s, two Global 5000s and an ultra-long haul Global Express XRS – one of the most luxurious business jets available in the sky.

About Qatar Executive
Qatar Airways first announced at the Paris Air Show in 2009 the formation of its corporate jet subsidiary – Qatar Executive – as part of the airline’s ongoing robust global growth strategy, and continued commitment to the Middle East business travel community. Headquartered at Doha International Airport, luxury jet services are available for charter to Europe, Asia, North America, Africa, Australia and the Middle East.

About Emirates-CAE Flight Training
ECFT is jointly operated by the Emirates Group and CAE and is located close to Dubai International Airport. Approved by EASA / JAA, the FAA and the UAE GCAA, the facility offers full-flight simulator training to aircraft operators in the Middle East, Europe, Africa and Asia.

About CAE
CAE is a global leader in modeling, simulation and training for civil aviation and defence. The company employs more than 7,500 people at more than 100 sites and training locations in more than 20 countries. Through CAE’s global network of 33 civil aviation, military and helicopter training centres, the company trains more than 80,000 crewmembers yearly. CAE’s business is diversified, ranging from the sale of simulation products to providing comprehensive services such as training and aviation services, professional services and in-service support. The company aims to apply its simulation expertise and operational experience to help customers enhance safety, improve efficiency, maintain readiness and solve challenging problems. CAE is now leveraging its simulation capabilities in new markets such as healthcare and mining.

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