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ROLLS-ROYCE WELCOMES KUWAIT AIRWAYS DECISION TO SELECT EIGHT AIRBUS A330neo AIRCRAFT

Rolls-Royce today welcomed a decision by Kuwait Airways to select eight Airbus A330-800neo aircraft, powered by the Trent 7000 engine.

The Trent 7000 is the latest member of the successful Rolls-Royce Trent engine family and the exclusive powerplant for the A330neo.

The Trent 7000 brings together more than 50 million flying hours of experience from the Trent 700, which powers the original version of the A330. It also combines architecture from the Trent 1000 TEN – the latest version of the Trent 1000 engine – and the latest technology from the Trent XWB.

The 68-72,000lb thrust Trent 7000 will deliver a step change in performance and economics compared to the Trent 700. Benefitting from a bypass ratio double that of its predecessor, the Trent 7000 will improve specific fuel consumption by 10%, and will significantly reduce noise.

John Kelly, Rolls-Royce, Senior Vice President – Middle East and Africa, Civil Aerospace, said: “We warmly welcome this announcement by Kuwait Airways and look forward to continuing our long and established relationship with the airline.”

About Rolls-Royce Holdings plc

1. Rolls-Royce pioneers cutting-edge technologies that deliver the cleanest, safest and most competitive solutions to meet our planet’s vital power needs.
2. Rolls-Royce has customers in more than 150 countries, comprising more than 400 airlines and leasing customers, 160 armed forces, 4,000 marine customers including 70 navies, and more than 5,000 power and nuclear customers.
3. Annual underlying revenue was £15 billion in 2017, around half of which came from the provision of aftermarket services. The firm and announced order book stood at £78.5 billion at the end of December 2017.
4. In 2017, Rolls-Royce invested £1.4 billion on research and development. We also support a global network of 31 University Technology Centres, which position Rolls-Royce engineers at the forefront of scientific research.
5. Rolls-Royce employs 55,000 people in 50 countries. Approximately 19,400 of these are engineers.

6. The Group has a strong commitment to apprentice and graduate recruitment and to further developing employee skills. In 2017 we recruited 313 graduates and 339 apprentices through our worldwide training programmes.

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