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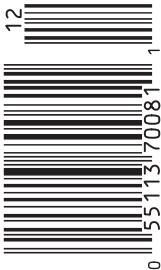


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Mounties, Transport Canada team up to boost airport security

The Mounties and Transport Canada are teaming up to crack down on organized crime and other threats at Canadian airports after stinging criticism from Canada's auditor-general.

Transport Canada and the RCMP announced in April that they have signed an information-sharing agreement to conduct expanded criminal background checks for workers who have access to secure areas

at Canada's airports. The move comes after Auditor-General Sheila Fraser said in a report that suspicious characters, some with links to organized crime, are working in secure areas at airports because of poor co-operation between Transport Canada and the Mounties. The RCMP had terminated an information-sharing deal with Transport Canada back in December 2007.

Under the new deal signed

April 8, Transport Canada will be able to base decisions about security clearance for workers on more complete data from a broader range of intelligence sources. The announcement also comes after Transport Minister John Baird and Senator Colin Kenny tested security at the country's largest airport – Toronto's Pearson International Airport – last month and Baird was able to walk unchallenged onto the tarmac.

Project Phoenix bolsters sales team

Project Phoenix, the Dubai-based Bombardier CRJ-200 executive VIP conversion specialist, is bolstering its sales team with two significant appointments.

Mike Creed, a well-known figure in the business aviation industry, joins Project Phoenix as vice president sales after working with Action Aviation for just over three years. Creed's 40 years' experience will be invaluable at a time when Project Phoenix prepares to enter new territories later this year with new ventures that will complement its now established Phoenix CRJ line.

In addition, David Barker joins Project Phoenix as sales director, based out of Tucson, Ariz., covering the western United States. Barker brings 13 years of diverse business aviation sales experience having worked at an FBO (in Chicago), an OEM and for a number of block charter, fractional and charter sales/management organizations. Barker worked with Bombardier's Flexjet between 1997 and 2003 in a number of sales positions culminating in sales director – West Coast. Since 2004 he has worked independently, sourcing aircraft, brokering, jet card sales, completion center sales, and negotiating fractional ownership acquisitions for several Fortune 500 companies.

Canadian Air & Space Museum debut

On Feb. 20, the Toronto Aerospace Museum, located in Downsview Park on the north end of the GTA, presented itself under a new image, with a new focus and goals, as the Canadian Air & Space Museum (CASM).

Claude Sherwood, CEO of the museum and a former Avro Arrow project employee, proudly stood in front of the only full-scale and museum quality replica of the historic aircraft, and announced to a standing room only audience, that the museum was undertaking not only a name change, but also an extensive revitalization of its



Andrew Lucas, president and CEO of FlightPath International, a Toronto-based international flight training organization, presents a donation cheque to Susan Douglas, Marketing & Business manager, Canadian Air & Space Museum.

focus. The centre stone of this is a \$2 million, 11,600-square-metre expansion that will allow the museum to become a living

and breathing aviation centre and education facility for approximately 150,000 annual visitors.

The addition that CASM has planned will enable it to properly present its current completed aircraft and also the Lancaster bomber of which it will shortly begin reassembly. The expansion plans call for inclusion of new interactive and educational displays, theatres, archive facilities, restoration space and many other elements – all coming together to make it a premier aviation facility on the doorstep of Canada's largest population area.

Field Aviation's Q300 Conversions Destined for Japan

Following a Toronto hand-over ceremony of the third Maritime Surveillance Aircraft (MSA) for the Japan Coast Guard, Field Aviation's modification centre has captured a follow-on contract for a further three Bombardier Dash 8 Q300 MSA destined for Japan, bringing the total contract to eight aircraft.

This brings to 33 the number

of Bombardier aircraft Field Aviation will have modified for use as patrol and surveillance platforms for six national governments worldwide: U.S., Australia, Japan, Sweden, Iceland and Denmark.

The maritime surveillance modifications include unique, Field Aviation designed features such as an air-operable rear cargo door and a fuselage drop

hatch, both facilitating airborne dispersal of life rafts, survival supplies and paratroops.



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