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## **UK CAA QUALIFIES CTC'S NEW LEVEL D ZERO FLIGHT TIME B737NG SIMULATOR**

CTC Aviation Group plc announced that its next generation B737 NG full-flight simulator from Rockwell Collins – the first of its kind in the world from the avionics company - has been awarded JAR-FSTD A Level D, Zero Flight Time certification by the UK Civil Aviation Authority at the first attempt.

World leaders in full service aviation support, CTC Aviation Group plc accepted delivery of the B737 NG Full Flight Simulator in September. The industry leading device has been installed at the company's Crew Training Centre near Southampton, UK and underwent UK CAA certification this week.

“This certification of our full-flight simulator called Edge™ marks an important step forward in delivering the new capabilities of our CORE™ simulation architecture,” said Ken Schreder, vice president and general manager of Simulation & Training Solutions for Rockwell Collins. “The flexibility and adaptability of this new system, combined with our industry-leading visuals and superior service and support, will deliver an unprecedented training experience to CTC Aviation and its customers.”

Captain Martin Hunt, Head of Operations of CTC Aviation Services Limited commented “The newest addition to our training centre is a real testament to the strong bond between Rockwell Collins and CTC. Together we have certified a world leading training device which combines the highest levels of fidelity with an intuitive instructor interface to deliver a first class training experience to the pilot”

Designed from the user and maintainer's point of view, the advanced CORE™ simulation architecture features common open reusable elements including scalable software adaptable for multiple training devices, integrated tool sets and Rockwell Collins' industry leading display and image generation technology. The highly configurable, modular design is a new approach to the future of simulation, providing long term, cost effective solutions to legacy issues of accommodating upgrades and fleet changes. Key features include –

- Rockwell Collins' display and image generating technology offering industry leading realism

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- A highly configurable tools suite that provides the freedom to easily customise training for multiple situations
- Hardware and software designs that easily accommodate upgrades and new technology additions through open systems architecture
- Scalable, modular design across a broad range of training devices allows proactive obsolescence management and integration of the latest in commercial-off-the-shelf technology.

CTC and Rockwell Collins will be offering the opportunity for private demonstrations of the new technology by potential business clients. Interested parties should contact CTC on +44 (0) 23 80 737 567 or [simulation@ctcaviation.com](mailto:simulation@ctcaviation.com)

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## About CTC Aviation Group plc

CTC is one of the world's leading full-service airline support providers training between 1200-1900 aircrew for approximately 50 global airlines each year. Our UK and NZ based Crew Training Centres house state-of-the-art Airbus and Boeing simulators, hi-tech Computer Based Training facilities and a fleet of the latest, modern technology training aircraft to support our Cadet training programme – CTC Wings; all supported by one of the most experienced teams of Training Captains and Instructors worldwide.

Our corporate philosophy is based around *innovation, flexibility, expertise* and *quality*. We are renowned for developing innovative approaches to airline training and recruitment challenges.

Our portfolio spans the full spectrum of airline support requirements; - selection and training for both pilots and cabin crew; basic licence and ATPL training through to TRE Standardisation; ground school, simulator provision and line training; management and consultancy support; start ups, conversions and recurrent. We have recently launched a range of Software Solutions combining our airline knowledge with the technological skills of our Information Technology team. Additionally, CTC Aviation Jet Services Limited provides executive jet management and operational support for both corporate and private clients.

Airline clients include Air New Zealand, Air Malawi, Air Seychelles, British Airways, Jet2.com, easyJet, Eagle Airways, EuroCypria, Kuwait Airways, Monarch Airlines, NetJets, OpenSkies, Royal Brunei Airlines, Thomas Cook Airlines, Thomson Airways, UK CAA, Virgin Atlantic Airways and Vueling.

*CTC Wings* is a unique, comprehensive programme of developmental training for airline pilots. The cadet route takes young people with no flying experience all the way to the right hand seat of a commercial airliner in less than two years. The CTC Wings ATP route into the programme provides opportunities for licensed pilots to join at the intermediate phase of training.

*CTC FlexiCrew* launched in December 2008 is a flexible aircrew resourcing solution for airlines. A registered database of pilots from around the world with varying degrees of experience – from newly qualified to Instructors and Examiners, Captains and First Officers with a wide range of licence types and operational backgrounds. All pilots are required to attend a selection interview and simulator assessment with CTC before airline placement. Airlines from around the globe can benefit from this service which offers pilots on a fully flexible contract basis to suit airline requirements.

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