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CANSO WELCOMES 100th MEMBER

CANSO, the Global Voice of ATM, has announced its 100th member at ATC Global 2009, Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

The Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation, founded in 1996, has been attracting a global membership consisting of ANS providers and Associate Members who supply a wide range of ATM related products and services. The latest member is EADS Defence & Security, part of EADS, the parent company of Airbus and one of the world's largest aviation companies.

CANSO Chairman Ashley Smout said

"It gives me great pleasure to welcome EADS Defence & Security as the 100th member of CANSO. For our Association to expand so far and so fast in such a short time is a remarkable achievement. With our offices in ICAO, Europe and the Asia Pacific, and ANS conferences in the Middle East, Eurasia and the Caribbean in 2009, our global reach and engagement is increasing all the time. We're delighted that EADS Defence & Security has chosen to be a part of these exciting plans."

Hansjoerg Roschmann Vice-President for Sales Radar/IFF for EADS Defence & Security, said

"Through the membership of our colleagues at Airbus, we have observed CANSO's growing strength and influence, and we feel that now is the right time to also join as an Associate Member. CANSO's unique position as the global voice of ATM enables it to be at the leading edge of ATM development, and we are delighted to be able to play a part in the future growth of the Association."

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CANSO – The Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation – is the global voice of the companies that provide air traffic control, and represents the interests of Air Navigation Services Providers worldwide. CANSO members are responsible for supporting over 80% of world air traffic, and through our Workgroups, members share information and develop new policies, with the ultimate aim of improving air navigation services on the ground and in the air. CANSO also represents its members' views in major regulatory and industry forums, including at ICAO, where we have official Observer status.