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KOREAN AIR IS MARKING ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY WITH LUXURIOUS NEW SEATS AND IFE ACROSS BOTH ITS MID- AND LONG-HAUL FLEETS

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AMAC Aerospace completes VVIP A320

AMAC Aerospace has completed its first A320, for a head-of-state in the Middle East. The VIP configuration includes 48 seats, a bedroom, shower, and a cabin entertainment system including AVOD, wireless LAN, and satcom.

With a design by Francis Munch of Studio E/motions, and project management by Altair Aero Projects of Cyprus, the aircraft was delivered on time and within budget in nine months.

The client has also signed a flight support agreement with AMAC's dedicated operation team. AMAC's next completion project is an A319.

BizJet International completes its first A318 Elite

BizJet International, Lufthansa Technik's US subsidiary in Tulsa, Oklahoma, has delivered its first A318 Elite, following completion on schedule at the end of 2009. The A318 Elite, which is provided with FAA and EASA Supplemental Type Certificates, has been equipped with a VIP interior during its sevenmonth completion. Work has already started on the second of eight A318 Elites that BizJet has contracted, with handover scheduled for mid-2010. Lufthansa Technik is transferring its A318 Elite programme to BizJet so its site in Hamburg can focus on outfitting narrowand wide-body VIP corporate jets.

First installation of Aircell ATG 5000 high-speed internet system

Aircell's ATG 5000 high-speed internet unit has been installed for the first time, on a California-based Gulfstream G200 operated by FlightWorks. The ATG 5000 began shipping in December 2009, and the first installation was performed by Gulfstream Aerospace Corp's Dallas Service Center. The ATG 5000 provides standalone Aircell high-speed internet capabilities for customers that don't require the integrated voice and narrow-band data features of Aircell Axxess. The Aircell high-speed internet system operates over continental USA, with both wired or WiFi in-cabin connection options available.

Gore Design Completions delivers green A340 to head of state

Gore Design Completions (GDC) has finished work on its first green A340-500 completion. The head-of-state aircraft was delivered to an African customer at the end of November 2009. GDC designers and engineers created an interior complete with VIP stateroom, lavatory, and office suite, as well as a conference room, lounge and high-density seating areas. All engineering and design was completed at GDC. Earlier in 2009, the company delivered a partial refurbishment of an A340-300, and currently has another A340 in its hangar, with two more on the way in 2010 and 2011.