



## **Boeing and ANA Conclude 787 Service Ready Operational Validation**

**TOKYO, July 12, 2011** – Boeing [NYSE: BA] and ANA completed the 787 service ready operational validation in Japan over the weekend. As part of the validation, ANA pilots, together with Boeing, flew the Dreamliner on routes from Seattle to Tokyo and Tokyo to four airports across Japan, including Osaka (Itami and Kansai), Okayama and Hiroshima. Maintenance and ground crews from ANA also gained experience with the airplane in the simulated operational environment.

“Giving our team a chance to work with the airplane prior to entry into service was very valuable,” said Katsunori Shimazaki, ANA corporate planning senior manager and the airline’s leader of the validation. “Our crews are excited to begin operating the first 787 revenue flights later this year.”

Teams from ANA and Boeing validated more than a hundred procedures, including towing the airplane, conducting fit checks of ground support equipment, staging electronic flight bag data and completing maintenance actions, among other activities.

“The successful conclusion of this effort further validates our plans for entering the first all-new airplane of the 21st century into service with our launch customer ANA,” said Mike Fleming, 787 services and support vice president. “Our teams worked well together and the airplane performed as we expected.”

At each airport, hundreds of enthusiasts and reporters gathered to witness the 787’s arrival from Tokyo. Combined, several thousand people celebrated the Dreamliner’s presence in Japan.

“It has been incredible to see the enthusiasm for the 787 every place we’ve gone,” said Scott Fancher, vice president and general manager of the 787 program. “With its improvements in comfort and environmental performance, passengers are clearly eager to experience the 787 for themselves.”

ANA’s first scheduled service with the 787 will be either the Tokyo Haneda-Okayama or Tokyo Haneda-Hiroshima route when deliveries begin later this year.

ANA has 55 Dreamliners on order. ANA will deploy the 787 across its route network as an integral part of its strategy to strengthen its position and support its growth and expansion plans.

### **Photos and captions**

Future passengers get a glimpse of the 787 Dreamliner in Japan. Boeing and ANA conducted an important validation of their readiness for the 787 Dreamliner's entry into service.



ANA pilots, together with Boeing pilots, flew a flight test 787 on actual airline routes in Japan using airline dispatch and flight rules. Pictured here are ANA pilots Capt. Katsumi Ikeda, Capt. Kazushige Higami and Capt. Masami Tsukamoto.



The 787 Dreamliner meets another member of ANA's Boeing fleet during the service ready operational validation in Japan.



ANA's ground crews commemorate the 787's departure. Boeing and ANA completed an important validation of their readiness for the 787 Dreamliner's entry into service.



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