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Hearing Date and Time: September 3, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time) Objection Date and Time: August 31, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time)

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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

GRUPO AEROMÉXICO, S.A.B. de C.V., et al.,

Debtors.<sup>1</sup>

Chapter 11

Case No. 20-11563 (SCC)

(Jointly Administered)

# NOTICE OF HEARING ON DEBTORS' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTOR AEROVÍAS DE MÉXICO, S.A. DE C.V. TO ENTER INTO NEW SIMULATOR PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH CAE INC.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on August 20, 2021, the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") filed the *Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order Authorizing Debtor Aerovías de México, S.A. de C.V. To Enter into New Simulator Purchase Agreement with CAE Inc.* (the "Motion"). A hearing on the Motion is scheduled to be held on September 3, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "Hearing") before the

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Honorable Judge Shelley C. Chapman, United States Bankruptcy Judge, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court"), or at such other time as the Court may determine.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, in accordance with General Order M-543, dated March 20, 2020 (Morris, C.J.) ("General Order M-543"),<sup>2</sup> the Hearing will be conducted telephonically. Any parties wishing to participate must do so telephonically by making arrangements through CourtSolutions, LLC (<u>www.court-solutions.com</u>). Instructions to register for CourtSolutions, LLC are attached to General Order M-543.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that copies of the Motion may be obtained free of charge by visiting the website of Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC at <a href="https://dm.epiq11.com/aeromexico">https://dm.epiq11.com/aeromexico</a>. You may also obtain copies of any pleadings by visiting the Court's website at <a href="http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov">https://www.nysb.uscourts.gov</a> in accordance with the procedures and fees set forth therein.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the Hearing may be continued or adjourned from time to time by an announcement of the adjourned date or dates at the Hearing or a later hearing or by filing a notice with the Court. The Debtors will file an agenda before the Hearing, which may modify or supplement the motion(s) to be heard at the Hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any responses or objections to the Motion shall be in writing, shall comply with the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York, shall be filed with the Court by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A copy of the General Order M-543 can be obtained by visiting http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov/news/general-order-m-543-court-operations-under-exigent-circumstances-created-covid-19.

(a) attorneys practicing in the Court, including attorneys admitted *pro hac vice*, electronically in accordance with General Order M-399 (which can be found at <a href="www.nysb.uscourts.gov">www.nysb.uscourts.gov</a>) and (b) all other parties in interest, in accordance with the customary practices of the Court and General Order M-399, to the extent applicable, and shall be served in accordance with General Order M-399 and the *Order Establishing Certain Notice*, *Case Management*, and Administrative Procedures, entered on July 8, 2020 [ECF No. 79], so as to be filed and received no later than <a href="August 31, 2021">August 31, 2021</a> at 12:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "Objection Deadline").

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that all objecting parties are required to telephonically attend the Hearing, and failure to appear may result in relief being granted upon default.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, if no responses or objections are timely filed and served with respect to the Motion, the Debtors may, on or after the Objection Deadline, submit to the Court an order substantially in the form of the proposed order attached to the Motion, under certification of counsel or certification of no objection, which order may be entered by the Court without further notice or opportunity to be heard.

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Dated: August 20, 2021

New York, New York

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Grupo Aeroméxico, S.A.B. de C.V. ("Grupo Aeroméxico") and certain of its affiliates (collectively, the "Debtors"), each of which is a debtor and debtor in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"), hereby file this motion (this "Motion") seeking the entry of an order authorizing, but not directing, Debtor Aerovías de México, S.A. de C.V. (the "Debtor Purchaser") to enter into a new purchase agreement and related transaction documents (collectively, the "Simulator Purchase Documents") for a new B737MAX 8 Series

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7000XR Full Flight Simulator (collectively, with the related equipment, parts, data, and hardware, the "Simulator") containing terms substantially consistent with those set forth in the letter of intent attached to the Proposed Order as Exhibit 1 (the "Letter of Intent"). This Motion is supported by the Declaration of Matthew Landess in Support of (A) Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order Authorizing Debtor Aerovías de México, S.A. de C.V. To Enter into New Simulator Purchase Agreement with CAE Inc. and (B) Related Pleadings (the "Landess Declaration") filed contemporaneously herewith and incorporated herein by reference. In further support of this Motion, the Debtors respectfully state as follows:

#### Jurisdiction and Venue

- 1. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference M-431, dated January 31, 2012 (Preska, C.J.). This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). In addition, the Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to Rule 7008 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this Motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter a final order or judgment in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.
- 2. Venue of the Chapter 11 Cases and related proceedings is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

#### **Relief Requested**

3. By this Motion, and pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b) of chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") and Bankruptcy Rules 6004 and 9013, the Debtors seek entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the

"Proposed Order" and, if entered, the "Order"), authorizing (but not directing) the Debtor Purchaser to enter into the Simulator Purchase Documents, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Letter of Intent attached to the Proposed Order as <a href="Exhibit 1">Exhibit 1</a>, as further detailed herein and in the Proposed Order.

#### **Background**

#### A. General Background

- 4. On June 30, 2020 (the "**Petition Date**"), each of the Debtors filed in this Court voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors have continued to operate and manage their businesses and have continued to possess their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 5. The Chapter 11 Cases are being jointly administered for procedural purposes only pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) and the *Order Directing Joint Administration of Chapter 11 Cases* [ECF No. 30] entered by the Court on July 1, 2020 in Grupo Aeroméxico's Chapter 11 Case.<sup>2</sup>
- 6. On July 13, 2020, the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed an Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code. *See Notice of Appointment of Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors* [ECF No. 92]. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On July 2, 2020, the Court entered similar orders for the other Debtors on their respective Court dockets. *See In re Aerovías de México, S.A. de C.V.*, No. 20-11561, ECF No. 2; *In re Aerolitoral, S.A. de C.V.*, No. 20-11565, ECF No. 2; *In re Aerovías Empresa de Cargo, S.A. de C.V.*, No. 20-11566, ECF No. 2.

7. Detailed information regarding the Debtors' businesses and affairs, capital structure, and the circumstances leading to the commencement of the Chapter 11 Cases can be found in the *Declaration of Ricardo Javier Sánchez Baker in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Pleadings* [ECF No. 20], which is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **B.** The Debtors' Fleet Optimization Process and Training Needs

- 8. As the Court is aware, the Debtors have been engaged in a multi-step process to (a) analyze their anticipated, long-term fleet and equipment needs, (b) make corresponding adjustments to the size and composition of their current operating fleet, and (c) obtain the most favorable terms for agreements relating to aircraft equipment. In that regard, the Debtors' current business plan is aimed at a greater proportion of Boeing 737NG and 737MAX aircraft flying. Over the past several months, the Debtors have made substantial progress towards this goal.
  - On March 9, 2021, the Debtors filed their *Motion for Authorization to Enter Into Aircraft Lease Agreements with Certain Counterparties* [ECF No. 954] (the "BBAM-Merx Motion"). The Court subsequently entered an order approving the BBAM-Merx Motion [ECF No. 1100], pursuant to which the Debtors added six new Boeing 737-800 aircraft (the "BBAM-Merx Aircraft") to their fleet (the "BBAM-Merx Transaction").
  - On April 22, 2021, the Debtors filed their Motion for (I) Approval of Compromises with Boeing and Other Counterparties, (II) Authorization To (A) Enter Into Amended Aircraft Purchase Agreement with Boeing and (B) Enter into Agreements with Other Counterparties related to the Boeing Transaction, (III) Approval of the Assumption of Such Amended Agreements, as Applicable, and (IV) Approval To Settle Certain Prepetition Claims of Counterparties [ECF No. 1108] (the "Boeing

Motion") and their Motion for (I) Authorization To (A) Enter Into New Aircraft Lease Agreements and (B) Amend and Assume Certain Existing Aircraft Lease Agreements, and (II) Approval of Compromise Regarding Prepetition Claims with Air Lease Corporation [ECF No. 1113] (the "Air Lease Motion"). The Court approved both the Boeing Motion and the Air Lease Motion at a hearing on April 30, 2021,3 and subsequently entered each of the orders related thereto.4 Pursuant to such orders, the Debtors added, among other things, 24 new Boeing 737MAX aircraft (collectively, the "Boeing and ALC Aircraft" and, together with the BBAM-Merx Aircraft, the "New Aircraft") to their fleet (collectively, the "Boeing and ALC Transactions" and, together with the BBAM-Merx Transaction, the "Aircraft Acquisitions").

- On July 19, 2021, the Debtors filed their *Motion for (I) Authorization to (A) Enter Into New Aircraft Lease Agreements and (B) Amend and Assume a Certain Existing Aircraft Lease Agreement, and (II) Approval of Compromise Regarding Prepetition Claims with Affiliates of Dubai Aerospace Enterprise (DAE) Ltd.* [ECF No. 1452] seeking to acquire up to 12 Boeing 737MAX aircraft in accordance with their long-term fleet plan (the "DAE Transaction"). On August 11, 2021, the Court entered an order [ECF No. 1544] approving the DAE Transaction on an interim basis.
- 9. The induction of the new Boeing MAX aircraft from the DAE Transaction, along with those being added pursuant to the Aircraft Acquisitions, has necessitated a reevaluation of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Hr'g Tr. (April 30, 2021), 29:17–23 and 37:13–16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See ECF Nos. 1141–42, 1145, 1154, 1156–57, 1160–62.

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the Debtors' pilot training needs as more pilots will transition to flying the Boeing 737NG and 737MAX aircraft. After careful consideration, the Debtors determined that they currently require an estimated 12 trained two-pilot crews (which could vary depending upon the training needs and the airline's schedule) for each additional Boeing 737NG and 737MAX aircraft that the Debtors will operate as part of its long-term fleet. Given that the Debtors are currently unable to meet the projected need for increased Boeing 737 pilot training, the Debtors, in consultation with their advisors, weighed their options to increase simulator capacity to meet the greater demand for training – whether it be purchasing or leasing a simulator or outsourcing the training.

- and 18 months. The Debtors were alerted to the fact that CAE Inc. (the "Seller") had a new Simulator available for purchase and deployment potentially as early as February 2022. Moreover, the Simulator has the capability to train pilots on the Boeing 737NG and 737MAX aircraft models. Accordingly, in light of the Aircraft Acquisitions and the DAE Transaction, the Debtors believe that acquiring the Simulator at this time would be in the best interests of the estates, as it would allow the Debtors to fully maximize the value and benefits attributed to the inclusion of these additional aircraft in accordance with their fleet optimization and business plans.
- an agreement with the Seller to enter into the Simulator Purchase Documents and take delivery of the Simulator (as described herein, in the Letter of Intent, and in the Landess Declaration). The Letter of Intent sets forth the commercial terms between the Seller and the Debtor Purchaser relating to the Simulator Purchase Documents. As described above, the purchase of this Simulator will enable the Debtors' pilots to continue most of their required training in-house using state-of-the-art equipment to assure an efficient transition towards the airline's new fleet structure.

12. In determining to enter into the Letter of Intent, the Debtors consulted with the relevant advisors to the Committee, the DIP Lenders,<sup>5</sup> and the Ad Hoc Group,<sup>6</sup> none of which expressed opposition to the relief requested herein.

#### **Basis for Relief**

- 13. The Debtors believe that the purchase of a flight simulator, as contemplated by the Letter of Intent, constitutes an ordinary course transaction because (a) it is commonplace in the airline industry and (b) the Debtors have purchased such equipment in the past. As a result, the Debtors believe that entry into the Simulator Purchase Documents, as contemplated by the Letter of Intent, would be permitted under section 363(c) of that Bankruptcy Code, which authorizes a debtor to "enter into transactions, including the sale or lease of property of the estate, in the ordinary course of business, without notice or a hearing . . . ." 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(1). Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution (and to the extent that such authorization is required under section 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code), the Debtors seek entry of an order authorizing the Debtor Purchaser to enter into the Simulator Purchase Documents.
- 14. Section 363(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code empowers a court to allow a debtor to "use, sell, or lease, other than in the ordinary course of business, property of the estate." 11 U.S.C. § 363(b)(1). A debtor's decision to use, sell, or lease assets outside the ordinary course of business must be based upon the sound business judgment of the debtor. *See Official Comm. of Unsecured*

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> As used in this Motion, "DIP Lenders" refers to those parties identified in this Court's *Final Order Granting Debtors' Motion to (I) Authorize Certain Debtors in Possession to Obtain Post-Petition Financing; (II) Grant Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims to DIP Lenders; (III) Modify Automatic Stay; and (IV) Grant Related Relief* [ECF No. 527].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> As used in this Motion, "Ad Hoc Group" refers to those parties identified in the *Second Amended Verified Statement of the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Noteholders Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2019* [ECF No. 1292].

Creditors of LTV Aerospace and Defense Co. v. LTV Corp. (In re Chateaugay Corp.), 973 F.2d 141, 143 (2d Cir. 1992) (holding that "a judge determining a § 363(b) application [must] expressly find from the evidence presented before him . . . a good business reason to grant such an application"); see also Comm. of Equity Sec. Holders v. Lionel Corp. (In re Lionel Corp.), 722 F.2d 1063, 1071 (2d Cir. 1983) (same); In re Glob. Crossing Ltd., 295 B.R. 726, 743 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2003); In re Ionosphere Clubs, Inc., 100 B.R. 670, 674 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1989) (noting that the standard for determining a motion under section 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code is "good business reason").

15. The business judgment rule is satisfied "when the following elements are present: (1) a business decision, (2) disinterestedness, (3) due care, (4) good faith, and (5) according to some courts and commentators, no abuse of discretion or waste of corporate assets." *Official Comm. of Subordinated Bondholders v. Integrated Res., Inc.* (In re Integrated Res., Inc.), 147 B.R. 650, 656 (S.D.N.Y. 1992), appeal dismissed, 3 F.3d 49 (2d Cir. 1993) (internal quotations omitted). In fact, "[w]here the debtor articulates a reasonable basis for its business decisions (as distinct from a decision made arbitrarily or capriciously), courts will generally not entertain objections to the debtor's conduct." *Comm. of Asbestos-Related Litigants and/or Creditors v. Johns-Manville Corp.* (In re Johns-Manville Corp.), 60 B.R. 612, 616 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1986); see also In re Integrated Res., Inc.), 147 B.R. at 656 (holding that a party opposing a debtor's exercise of its business judgment has the burden of rebutting the presumption of validity). Indeed, courts in this district have consistently and appropriately been loath to interfere with corporate decisions absent a showing of bad faith, self-interest, or gross negligence and will uphold a board's decisions as long as they are attributable to any "rational business purpose." Id.

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- 16. Moreover, section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code confers the Court with broad equitable powers to "issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this title." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a).
- 17. The Debtors respectfully submit that the relief requested herein is fair, equitable, reasonable, the product of the Debtors exercising their sound business judgment, and in the best interests of the Debtors' estates and is, thus, justified under sections 363(b) and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. As described above and in the Landess Declaration, the Debtors have a critical need to acquire at least one simulator that is compatible with their expected fleet at emergence from the Chapter 11 Cases. Further, for the reasons set forth above, a time-sensitive need exists to acquire a simulator to provide their pilots with the training necessary to operate the New Aircraft and the aircraft that the Debtors intend to acquire in the DAE Transaction. In determining to enter into the transactions with the Seller, the Debtors compared the Letter of Intent and the Simulator to available alternatives (while taking into consideration the timing advantages of a transaction with the Seller, as detailed above) and ultimately negotiated (at arm's length, in good faith, and in consultation with their key stakeholders) economically favorable terms for the Simulator Purchase Documents, as memorialized in the Letter of Intent, that are in line with the Debtors' long-term business plan. Moreover, the Debtors have determined (based on the exercise of their sound business judgement) that the terms of the Simulator Purchase Documents, including the payment and delivery schedule thereunder, represent the best available transaction under the circumstances, particularly given, among other things, that the Debtors are unable to obtain any alternative

simulator in a timely manner and in accordance with the delivery schedule contemplated by the Aircraft Acquisitions and the DAE Transaction, described above.

In light of the foregoing, the Debtors respectfully submit that the entry into the Simulator Purchase Documents, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth the in the Letter of Intent, (a) would be the result of the Debtors exercising their sound business judgement in accordance with their fiduciary duties, (b) would be in the best interests of their estates and economic stakeholders, and (c) would further serve to maximize value for the benefit of all creditors. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court authorize, but not direct, the Debtor Purchaser to enter into the Simulator Purchase Documents in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Letter of Intent.

#### **Notice**

19. Notice of this Motion will be provided to the following parties: (a) the entities on the Master Service List (as defined in the *Order Establishing Certain Notice, Case Management, and Administrative Procedures* [ECF No. 79], which is available on the Debtors' case website at https://dm.epiq11.com/case/aeromexico/info); (b) the U.S. Trustee; (c) counsel to the Committee; (d) counsel to Apollo Management Holdings, L.P.; (e) counsel to the Ad Hoc Group; and (f) any person or entity with a particularized interest in the subject matter of this Motion. The Debtors respectfully submit that no other or further notice is required.

#### No Prior Request

20. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made by the Debtors to this or any other court.

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WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court grant the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: August 20, 2021

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## Exhibit A

## **Proposed Order**

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# ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTOR AEROVÍAS DE MÉXICO, S.A. DE C.V. TO ENTER INTO NEW SIMULATOR PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH CAE INC.

Upon the motion (the "Motion")<sup>2</sup> of the Debtors for entry of an order (this "Order") authorizing, but not directing, Debtor Aerovías de México, S.A. de C.V. (the "Debtor Purchaser") to enter into the Simulator Purchase Documents, as set forth more fully in the Motion, the Letter of Intent attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u>, and the Landess Declaration; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference M-431*, dated January 31, 2012 (Preska, C.J.); and consideration of the Motion and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue of the Chapter 11 Cases and related proceedings being proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided to the notice parties identified in the Motion; such notice having been adequate

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 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

and appropriate under the circumstances, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and the Court having reviewed the Motion [and held a hearing to consider the relief requested in the Motion on September 3, 2021 (the "Hearing")]; and upon [the record of the Hearing, and upon] all of the proceedings had before the Court; and after due deliberation the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and the Court having found that the relief granted herein is in the best interests of the Debtors, their creditors, and all other parties in interest; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is granted to the extent set forth herein.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized (but not directed), pursuant to section 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, to enter into, and perform their obligations under, the Simulator Purchase Documents in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Letter of Intent attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.
- 3. The Debtors are authorized (but not directed) to execute, deliver, provide, implement, and fully perform any and all obligations, instruments, and papers provided for or contemplated in the Simulator Purchase Documents, as provided in the terms and conditions set forth in the Letter of Intent, and to take any and all actions to implement the Letter of Intent and Simulator Purchase Documents.
- 4. The Debtors' obligations under the Simulator Purchase Documents shall constitute administrative expenses of the Debtors' estates pursuant to sections 503(b)(1) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code.

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5. Notwithstanding any subsequent appointment of any trustee(s) under any

chapter of the Bankruptcy Code, this Order shall be binding in all respects upon, and shall

inure to the benefit of, the Debtors, their estates, and their creditors, their respective

affiliates, successors, and assigns, and any affected third parties, including, but not limited

to, the Seller, and all other persons asserting interests in the Simulator.

6. The Debtors are authorized to take, or refrain from taking, any action

necessary or appropriate to implement and effectuate the terms of, and the relief granted

in, this Order without seeking further order of the Court.

7. While the above referenced Chapter 11 Cases are pending, this Court shall

retain exclusive jurisdiction over any and all matters arising from or related to the

implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order, the Letter of Intent, and the

Simulator Purchase Documents.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021 New York, New York

THE HONORABLE SHELLEY C. CHAPMAN UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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## Exhibit 1

**Letter of Intent** 

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\_\_\_\_\_, 2021

CAE Inc. 8585 Ch. de la Côte-de-Liesse St-Laurent, Québec Canada H4T 1G6

#### LETTER OF INTENT

Subject: Purchase of one (1) CAE 7000XR B737 MAX Full-Flight Simulator

Dear Mr. Carriere,

In accordance with discussions and meetings held between CAE Inc. ("CAE") and Aerovías de México, S.A. de C.V. ("AMX"), AMX intends to purchase from CAE, and CAE intends to sell to AMX, one (1) B737 MAX 8 Series 7000XR Full Flight Simulator together with the Associated Items and the BSP (in each case, as more particularly described on Annex 1 hereto) (collectively, the "Equipment"), in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and to be more fully set out in a Simulator Purchase Agreement between CAE and AMX (the "Definitive Agreement").

- 1) The purchase price for the Equipment, delivered D.A.P. (Per Incoterms 2020) to AMX's training facility in Mexico City, Mexico, shall be [REDACTED] United States Dollars (\$[REDACTED] USD) ("Purchase Price") and all associated payment terms shall be in accordance with paragraph 4.1 of the CAE Price and Delivery Proposal dated June 29, 2021.
- 2) AMX will receive a [REDACTED] for a block of 1,000 B737NG Full Flight Simulator dry hours in CAE's Training Centers for the period between the signature of the Definitive Agreement and December 31, 2022 (the "[REDACTED]"). The [REDACTED] will be reflected in the form of an amendment to the existing Training Services Agreement between AMX and CAE.
- 3) In the event the Equipment becomes out of service, CAE will provide preferential access to AMX for the affected training at CAE's Global Training Center Network where CAE shall use best efforts to make a 737NG/MAX FFS available to AMX at a discounted market rate.
- 4) By no later than *February 6<sup>th</sup> 2022* CAE shall deliver the Equipment to AMX's training facility in Mexico City, Mexico with a ready for training ("**RFT**") date of *April 6th*, *2022* (the "**RFT Date**") provided the Definitive Agreement is executed no later than *September 6th*, *2021*. CAE reserves the right to propose a reasonable adjustment to the RFT Date if the execution date of the Definitive Agreement is delayed beyond such date.
- 5) Within (5) business days from the date on which the Bankruptcy Court approves the Definitive Agreement, AMX shall pay CAE a refundable deposit towards the Purchase Price in the amount of \$[REDACTED] USD (\$[REDACTED] U.S. Dollars) ("Deposit"). Upon receipt of the Deposit, CAE will begin work related to the build of the Equipment to meet the above RFT Date.
- 6) Both parties shall use their good faith efforts to negotiate and execute the Definitive Agreement incorporating the terms set forth herein. The parties acknowledge that the execution of the

- Definitive Agreement is subject to review and approval of AMX's board, DIP lenders, Unsecured Creditors Committee, the Ad Hoc Bondholders Group and Bankruptcy Court. If the Definitive Agreement is not executed by September 6<sup>th</sup> 2021, CAE shall have no obligation to sell the Equipment to AMX and AMX shall have no obligation to purchase the Equipment from CAE, and CAE shall refund the Deposit to AMX in full within five (5) business days after AMX's request therefor.
- 7) The Definitive Agreement and all other associated documentation (the "Transaction Documents") will be prepared by AMX's counsel and will be based on a similar transaction entered into between the parties in 2019. The Transaction Documents will include, amongst other provisions reflecting the terms and conditions set forth in this LOI, and additional conditions precedent, representations, warranties, covenants and other operational provisions, customary events of default and provisions dealing with the consequences of an event of default typical for this kind of transaction.
- 8) This LOI sets forth certain commercial terms of the contemplated engagement and does not purport to include all of the terms which will be contained in the Definitive Agreement, all of which must be satisfactory in form and substance to the parties and their respective counsel. The parties agree not to disclose to any person the existence or any of the terms of this LOI except to their respective financial advisors, lenders, accountants, auditors, legal representatives, affiliates or as otherwise required by applicable law or in connection with obtaining the approvals referenced in paragraph 6) above.
- 9) This LOI and the Definitive Agreements contemplated hereby shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, United States of America without regard to or application of any conflict of law principles and the parties hereby agree to exclude the application of the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (1980) as may be amended.
- 10) Each party will bear its own costs and expenses (including legal fees) associated with the negotiation and documentation of this transaction.
- 11) Except for the confidentiality and security deposit provisions, this LOI is a summary of the principal terms and conditions of a proposed transaction but is not intended to create and shall not create, any binding obligation to negotiate or consummate any transaction. Without limiting the foregoing, and notwithstanding any discussions to date or hereafter, none of the parties will be bound to proceed with any transaction unless and until the Transaction Documents are signed and delivered on terms satisfactory to each of them in its absolute discretion.
- 12) This LOI may be executed in two counterparts, each of which will be an original, but all of which will constitute but one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of this LOI by email will be deemed as effective as delivery of an originally executed counterpart.

Please indicate your acceptance of this LOI by signing in the space provided below.

| CAE Inc.  | Aerovías de México, S.A. de C.V.  |
|---|---|
| (Signature/Date)  | (Signature/Date)  |
| (Name)  | (Name)  |
| (Title)   | (Title)   |
| Address:  | (Signature/Date)  |
| CAE Inc.<br>8585 Ch. de la Côte-de-Liesse<br>St-Laurent, Québec<br>Canada H4T 1G6 | (Name)  |
| Canada 1141 100   |   |
|   | (Title) Address:  |
|   | Paseo de la Reforma 243, Piso 27, Cuauhtemoc 06500, Mexico City, Mexico |
|   | At'n: SVP Fleet and Business Development                                |

#### Annex 1

#### **Equipment Package**

- 1. One (1) B737 MAX 8 Series 7000XR Full Flight Simulator. CAE shall build the Equipment in accordance with CAE Technical Specification BP3681\_R16\_7000XR\_Boeing\_737\_MAX and the Equipment shall include a CAE Tropos™ 6000XR Visual System built in accordance CAE Technical Specification BP3171\_R24\_6000XR\_Tropos\_7000XR. The device shall be qualified by the Mexican AFAC to Level D.
- 2. All of the following Associated Items (the Scope of Delivery Document (SODD) BP5835\_R0\_Aeromexico\_737MAX\_SODD):
  - One (1) Full custom visual database and two (2) additional qualification databases from CAE Library
  - Twelve (12) additional library visual databases
  - Dismantling and packing for surface shipment
  - Shipping and insurance to AMX's Training Center in Mexico City, Mexico
  - Technical Assistance for simulator bay
  - On-site installation, test and qualification support for the FFS at AMX's Training Center in Mexico City, Mexico
  - Technical publications and documentation in the English language as described in the CAE Technical Specification.
  - Special Tools and Test Equipment
  - Uninterruptible Power Supply (20 KVA)
  - Critical Spares Package for the Equipment
  - Field Service Representative for 3 months after RFT
  - One additional year of warranty for a total of 3 years
  - Simulator and Visual Maintenance Training for up to 8 trainees at AMX's training center
  - [REDACTED] USD of goods and services credit memo
- 3. 737 MAX 8 Boeing Simulator Package (Boeing and supplier data and hardware, including binary format) (the "**BSP**") for the Equipment.