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News Brief

Warren Jones Appointed Head of Cargo Network Service

Geneva - The International Air Transport Association (IATA) announced the appointment of Warren Jones as Head of Cargo Network Service (CNS), effective 24 April 2013.

Jones, a US national, was previously the Aviation Development Manager at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, and has more than 15 years' experience in aviation and cargo issues. He holds degrees in aviation management and aeronautical science from Middle Tennessee State and Embry Riddle Aeronautical Universities.

"I am delighted that Warren has accepted the vital role as Head of CNS. During his time at Atlanta International Airport, Warren worked with all segments of the cargo supply chain, from small forwarders to the largest airlines. He was instrumental in attracting air cargo business to Atlanta, improving the facilities and capabilities of the airport to handle air freight.

At CNS, Warren will be pursuing a wide-ranging program. Raising industry competitiveness, accelerating the transformation to e-commerce and the Cargo 2000 quality framework, and enhancing the security and safety of air cargo will all be major priorities. He will also be developing the value proposition of all CNS and IATA cargo products and services, including training. It's a very full agenda and I look forward to working with him to deliver value and innovation to the air cargo community," said Des Vertannes, IATA's Global Head of Cargo.

"I am honored and excited to be offered this great opportunity with CNS. There is a lot to do with the e-freight initiative, Cargo 2000 and other projects, and I am particularly keen to focus on our relationships with our airline and freight forwarder partners. I am also looking forward to reaching out to Airports Council International North America. By strengthening these links and working together on new initiatives we can help build a more successful air cargo industry," said Jones.

CNS is a subsidiary of IATA, dedicated to the entire air cargo logistics chain and to providing a unique set of business solutions that meet the requirements of the air cargo industry in the USA. The 23rd annual CNS Partnership Conference will be held in Phoenix, Arizona on 5-7 May. Bringing together over 500 highly placed air cargo professionals from the US and around the world, the Conference is focused on the theme of 'Building our Future', exploring what air cargo needs to do for an improved and sustainable way forward.

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