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Raytheon Aerospace Wins Tri-Services C-9 Contract with Potential Value of \$474.9 Million

MADISON, Miss. (February 17, 2000) -- Raytheon Aerospace Company has been awarded a one-year, \$55.1 million tri-services contract with the U.S. Navy, Air Force and Marines to provide total logistics support for C-9 aircraft. With the exercise of six one-year option periods, the potential value of the tri-services contract would be \$474.9 million.

Raytheon Aerospace's support includes Contractor Operated & Managed Base Supply (COMBS), engineering, modification, calibration, engine tracking and financial tracking for 52 C-9 aircraft based in 12 worldwide locations, with the program office and administration located at Raytheon's Madison facility. The C-9 aircraft is a modified DC-9. The Air Force C-9s are used for medical evacuation; the Navy and Marine aircraft are used for passenger and cargo support. Included are three aircraft that are part of the Air Force One fleet used for U.S. presidential transport, and one aircraft dedicated to the transport of the NATO Supreme Allied Commander.

The tri-services contract is under the direction of the Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, Md.

"We have been the contractor of choice for support of the C-9 since 1985," said Dan Grafton, president of Raytheon Aerospace. "We deeply appreciate our Navy, Air Force and

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Marine customers, as they have expressed a resounding vote of confidence in the Raytheon Aerospace team and its ability to support this worldwide fleet.”

Raytheon Aerospace, currently with 4,800 employees, is a worldwide provider of aviation and aerospace technical services for more than 1,500 military, government and commercial aircraft and equipment. Operating at 261 sites in 30 countries, Raytheon Aerospace is ISO 9002 certified and is part of the Raytheon Aircraft family of companies.

Raytheon Aircraft, based in Wichita, Kan., designs, manufactures, markets and supports jet, turboprop and piston-powered aircraft for the world’s commercial, military and regional airline markets.

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