

## Press Release

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### Trading Statement

BBA Aviation today releases its regular trading update ahead of its results for the year ending 31st December 2007, which will be announced on 28th February 2008.

In the Flight Support division Signature continues to trade well, and fuel volumes have been largely unaffected by the recent high oil prices and economic uncertainty. As expected, whilst the growth rate moderated in the second half, due to a particularly strong performance in the last quarter of 2006, overall organic growth for the year should be in the order of 8% compared to the 3% achieved in 2006. The acquisitions made during the year, which added a further eight locations to the network, are performing well and reinforce Signature's position as the leading global business and general aviation FBO network. In ASIG the de-icing season has got off to a satisfactory start and trading activity generally is good.

In Aftermarket Services and Systems our Engine Repair, Legacy Support and Landing gear businesses are performing well. As was stated at the time of the interim results, Parts Distribution has continued to operate in a more competitive market for serviceable parts. As a whole the division is performing in line with expectations.

The reported results will be affected by the translation impact of the weak dollar with the average US dollar rate for the year now expected to be \$2.01 (2006: \$1.84).

Commenting on the trading statement Simon Pryce, Chief Executive said:

"This looks like being another good year for BBA Aviation. We have invested just under £80m during 2007 in extending our Signature network where we have a good pipeline of further acquisition opportunities. We have also generated significant new business in the majority of our other operations.

Our businesses continue to trade robustly and in line with our expectations, despite the more uncertain economic conditions in the second half of 2007. As we stated at the time of our interim results, the group expects to make continuing good underlying progress for the year as a whole."

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#### Notes to Editors

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BBA Aviation is a world leader in aviation services focusing on Aviation Flight Support and Aftermarket Services and Systems. BBA Aviation provides flight support services for corporate and commercial aviation customers as well as maintenance, repair, overhaul and spare parts for aircraft engines. It also supplies aviation components, landing gear and hydraulic systems. These are attractive niches in a \$250 billion market with clear barriers to entry, where BBA Aviation has leading positions, well-known and reputable brands and a proven track record of organic and acquisition-led growth.

BBA Aviation was formerly part of BBA Group, but following the demerger of Fiberweb, in November 2006 it became a stand-alone aviation services business.