



Thales Brings iPod and the TopSeries IFE System Together

Neuilly Sur Seine, April 1, 2008 (Aircraft Interiors Show) – Thales announces that it is executing a comprehensive strategy to interface iPod to its in-flight entertainment system. In September 2007, Thales became a member of the “Made for iPod” program. Through this program, Thales sees big opportunity to introduce new onboard services to passengers that carry personal electronic devices onboard.

“It is a natural evolution to bring personal electronic devices and IFE systems together. Our system’s internet-based network and connectivity solutions will eventually allow passengers to do in the air what they now do on the ground,” said Alan Pellegrini, Vice President and General Manager of Thales’ In-flight Entertainment business. Thales is implementing a seven-part strategy that introduces different ways to integrate personal electronic devices to the TopSeries IFE system. Some capabilities now flying include providing power to the handheld unit through the IFE system and viewing movies on the IFE seat display that are stored on the passenger device. Eventually, Thales anticipates passengers will be able to share content between the IFE system and their own devices.

About Thales

Thales is a leading international electronics and systems group, addressing defence, aerospace and security markets worldwide. Thales’s leading-edge technology is supported by 22,000 R&D engineers who offer a capability unmatched in Europe to develop and deploy field-proven mission-critical information systems. To this end, the group’s civil and military businesses develop in parallel and share a common base of technologies to serve a single objective: the security of people, property and nations. The group builds its growth on its unique multi-domestic strategy based on trusted partnerships with national customers and market players, while leveraging its global expertise to support local technology and industrial development. Thales employs 68,000 people in 50 countries with 2007 revenues of €12.3 billion.

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