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### **Minister of Finance of Aruba to open the second annual offshore aircraft registration summit**

London, UK, August 28, 2012: Aeropodium is organizing for the second year the Offshore Aircraft Registration Summit on September 20-21, 2012 in Aruba. The Registry of Aruba is the Prime Sponsor as well as the sponsor of the networking dinner. In addition, Comlux The Aviation Group is the sponsor of the conference bags that will be distributed to all participants. The Aruba Airport Authority and the Aruba Tourism Authority are the sponsors of the pre-conference networking drinks reception. AMTR, Gomez & Bikker, Kuster Law, VanEps Kunneman VanDoorne, and Guggenheim Partners are also among the main sponsors of the 2nd Annual Summit this September.

The Keynote Address speaker is ing. Mike de Meza, Minister of Finance, Communications, Utilities & Energy, Vice Prime Minister, Government of Aruba.

The conference will be chaired by Mr. Simon Arends, Senior Advisor to the Minister of Tourism, Transportation & Labor, Special Projects, Ministry of Tourism, Transportation & Labor.

Following the success of the Summit in 2011, this major event will explore a variety of issues such as reasons for registering an aircraft in Aruba, the Bermuda register, Malta as an alternative option, aircraft management solutions and how to achieve financial returns, business aircraft values, why and how offshore aircraft registries should embrace supporting non-domestic airline operating certificates, how to avoid hurdles during operation of foreign registered aircraft, technical challenges and airworthiness implications for offshore registered aircraft, business aircraft values, aircraft repossession for aircraft registered offshore, legal and fiscal issues of aircraft registration in Aruba, legal aspects of aircraft financing in Aruba, taxation issues of aircraft registration in Aruba, and possibilities for Sharia-compliant aircraft financing in Aruba using a Curacao trust or private foundation.

Expert speakers will contribute with their knowledge and experience including Peter Adhemar (Head of Operations, Bermuda Department of Civil Aviation), Richard A. Asper (Chairman, Aviation Professionals Group), Jorge C. Colindres Marinakis (President & CEO, The Registry of Aruba), Laurien C. Dumas (Attorney-at law, VanEps Kunneman VanDoorne), Richard Gaona (President & CEO, Comlux The Aviation Group), Lincoln D. Gomez (Managing Partner & Chairman of the Aviation Finance Practice Group, Gomez & Bikker Law Offices), Fiona Healy (Legal Counsel, Aircraft Corporate Services Malta), Yves Lavigne (President, World Assets Transition), Dinesh Mishre (Attorney at Law, Spigt Dutch Caribbean), Hans Ruiters (Tax Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers Aruba), C.A. Southerland (President, Aviation Professionals Group), David Thompson Norton (Shackelford, Melton & McKinley), Donald W. Walsh (Director, Guggenheim Partners), Dr. John Wensveen (Global Head of Airline Services, Radixx International).

This conference is organized by Aeropodium. For more information and to register, please visit the official website: [www.aeropodium.com/cp/oar.html](http://www.aeropodium.com/cp/oar.html)

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