**EMBRAER DELIVERS EMBRAER 170 TO HONG KONG EXPRESS** 

Airline is first operator of EMBRAER 170/190 aircraft in Asia

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*São José dos Campos, September 27, 2005* – Embraer announced today that Hong Kong Express Airways Ltd (HKE) has taken delivery of an EMBRAER 170 aircraft at a ceremony held in São José dos Campos, Brazil. HKE is the first operator of Embraer's E-Jets in Asia.

The airline will operate four EMBRAER 170s leased from General Electric Commercial Aviation Services (GECAS). Three deliveries are scheduled for 2005 and one will take place in early 2006. HKE's EMBRAER 170s will carry 76 passengers in a single-class layout and will link Hong Kong International Airport to cities in mainland China with services mainly devoted to business passengers.

Founded in 1997, HKE is dedicated to providing commercial aviation services of exceptional standards. Originally a helicopter operator under the HeliExpress brand, it became one of the largest helicopter airlines in the world. In May 2005, HKE received approval to operate scheduled air services to five cities in mainland China including Guangzhou, Hangzhou, Chongqing, Nanjing and Ningbo. Services will be implemented gradually with HKE's growing fleet of EMBRAER 170s.

Designed to tap the 70 to 110-seat market, the E-Jets of the EMBRAER 170/190 family are a new-generation of commercial aircraft featuring advanced engineering design, exceptional performance efficiency, superior operating economics and a spacious cabin.

In Asia, Embraer's E-Jets will be initially operated by HKE in China and Paramount Airways in India. As of June 30, 2005, operators worldwide had 412 EMBRAER 170/190 aircraft on firm order and 373 options.



Hong Kong Express is first EMBRAER 170 operator in Asia

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