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### **Kenyon and Arab Air Carriers Organization Sign an MOA on Emergency Management Services**

October 22, 2008, La Marsa, Tunisia - Kenyon International Emergency Services of Houston, Texas signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the Arab Air Carriers Organization (AACO) at AACO's 41<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting here today. The agreement provides a range of emergency management services which AACO member airlines will be able to bilaterally sign an individual contract with Kenyon.

Kenyon CEO, Robert Jensen said, "AACO and its members have taken a leadership position in recognizing the benefits and needs of emergency response and preparedness in the aviation industry. We are pleased to extend our emergency response services to the airlines of AACO".

The Arab Airlines, and indeed the Airlines of the world place safety first and foremost. Yet, accidents unfortunately happen. That is why, this partnership with Kenyon will enable AACO's contracted member airlines to positively benefit from Kenyon's worldwide resources and extensive experience in managing large-scale air disasters," said AACO Secretary General Abdul Wahab Teffaha.

"With Kenyon's training program and pre-prepared materials, our airlines will be able to draw references from Kenyon's experience-based data bank when reviewing their own internal plans and procedures. This will help to streamline their crisis preparedness, ensure consistent response standards and be able to assist other member airlines in times of need, added Teffaha.

Kenyon will provide the following services to AACO contracted member airlines: search and recovery operations; family assistance which includes assisting in collecting ante-mortem records and family interviews; supporting, or in some cases, establishing morgue operations; human remains identification and repatriation; collection and return of personal effects and crisis management.

AACO's 24 member airlines include Afriqiyah Airways, Air Algerie, Air Arabia, Air Cairo, EgyptAir, Emirates, Etihad Airways, Gulf Air, Iraqi Airways, Jordan Aviation, Kuwait Airways, Libyan Airways, Middle East Airlines, Oman Air, Palestinian Airways, Qatar Airways, Royal Air Maroc, Royal Jordanian, Saudi Arabian Airlines, Sudan Airways, Syrian Arab Airlines, TransMediterranean Airways, Tunis Air and Yemen Airways.

### **About Arab Air Carriers Organization**

The Arab Air Carriers Organization “AACO”, established in 1965 within the framework of the Arab League of States, is the Regional Association of the Arab Airlines who have their home base in countries members of the Arab League. AACO's main mission is to promote cooperation amongst Arab Airlines and to serve common interests through service excellence.

### **About Kenyon International**

Kenyon is an international leader in worldwide disaster management, providing pre-incident crisis planning and post-emergency response services on behalf of the world's foremost companies. Privately owned, Kenyon remains the only firm in its business with a hundred year history, comprehensive resources, and experience in every type of mass fatality accident including aviation disasters, natural disaster, war and terror attacks. Headquartered in Houston, Texas, it has offices and facilities in Sydney, Australia, London, UK, and Hong Kong.

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