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**PRESS OFFICE**

## **John H. Young, Jr. Appointed CEO of Alenia North America**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – July 15, 2010 – Today, Alenia North America Inc., a subsidiary of Alenia Aeronautica (a Finmeccanica Company) announced the appointment of John H. Young, Jr. as its Chief Executive Officer.

“Alenia North America is fortunate to have someone of John’s extensive experience and record of program success taking over the CEO position,” said Giuseppe Giordo, Chief Executive Officer, Alenia Aeronautica. “I am confident he will provide Alenia with effective leadership as the company continues to work towards achieving its business objective of expanding Alenia’s presence within the North American aerospace and defense market.”

In 2009, Mr. Young joined Alenia North America as the CEO of its subsidiary, Alenia North America Defense. He brought with him a wealth of successful senior executive level aerospace and defense industry experience. Mr. Young spent over 30 years of his career at the Northrop Grumman Corporation where he served in numerous executive positions for their Electronics, Space, and Aircraft businesses and ultimately in their corporate office as the Vice President for Corporate Contracts, Pricing, Program Management and other critical companywide functions. He then went on to serve as the Chief Operating Officer for EADS North America and the Chief Executive Officer for EADS North America Tankers LLC. Most recently, Mr. Young managed the Young Consulting Group which provided services to both the domestic and international aerospace and defense industry.

Mr. Young served in the U.S. Marine Corps Aviation Group as part of their Photo Reconnaissance and Electronic Warfare squadron. He has also served on numerous academic, U.S. Government and industry boards, including as the Chairman for the U.S. Aerospace Industry Association’s Procurement and Finance Executive Committee.

Alenia North America is a subsidiary of Alenia Aeronautica (a Finmeccanica Company). Its mission is to further expand the industrial and commercial presence of the Alenia Group in North America. Alenia North America Inc. is headquartered in Washington, D.C. with offices in Seattle, Washington; Long Beach, California; Fort Worth, Texas; and Smyrna, Georgia. Alenia North America - Canada, a subsidiary wholly owned by Alenia North America, has offices in Ottawa, Canada. Alenia North America is also a shareholder in several joint venture companies located in the United States. Global Aeronautica, a joint venture with The Boeing Company, located in North Charleston, South Carolina, performs significant integration and sub-assembly work for the Boeing 787 program. Global Military Aircraft Systems (GMAS), a joint venture with L-3 Communications Integrated Systems, is responsible for system engineering integration, avionics upgrades, training and logistics support for the C-27J Joint Cargo Aircraft, and headquartered in Madison, Mississippi. The C-27J is the world leader in the twin engine military tactical aircraft market and has been sold to the U.S., Italy, Greece, Bulgaria, Lithuania, Romania and Morocco. Other Alenia North America products include the C-27/G.222 tactical transport aircraft and the T-100 Integrated Training System, (the U.S. variant of the M-346 produced by the sister company Alenia Aermacchi, controlled by Alenia Aeronautica) currently competing in the U.S. market.