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IBAC's New Board Executive Officers Reflect Global Nature of Business Aviation

28 October 2019, Montreal, Canada – The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) is pleased to announce its new Governing Board executive officers, selected at its 70th meeting last week following the Business Aviation Convention and Exhibition in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mr. Ali Alnaqbi, Founder and Chairman of the Middle East and North Africa Business Aviation Association will become Chairman of the IBAC Governing Board from 1 January 2020. Mr. Alnaqbi is currently the Vice Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Juergen Wiese, Chairman of the European Business Aviation Association, will become Vice Chairman.

Mr. Sudhir Nayak of the Business Aircraft Operators Association of India will continue to serve as the Treasurer of the IBAC Governing Board.

"I appreciate the commitment to IBAC and the global business aviation community that each of these gentlemen has demonstrated in their participation in IBAC and their respective associations," said Kurt Edwards, Director General of IBAC. "It will be a pleasure to work with them and the Board over the next three years as we expand IBAC to meet the needs of a growing, vibrant industry."

Established in 1981, IBAC serves an international voice for the business aviation community. IBAC governance is exercised through the Governing Board with representatives from each of the 14 member associations.

"While he remains Chairman of the Governing Board through December 2019, I want to express my gratitude to Scott Macpherson of the Canadian Business Aviation Association for his service as Chairman and Vice Chairman for the last six years," said Edwards. "His insight, guidance, and support have been invaluable to IBAC's development."

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