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## **IBAC Announces New 2021 IS-BAO Standards Board Members and Advanced Air Mobility Working Group at Virtual Meeting – Acknowledges David Nigri For His Years of Service**

MONTREAL – 07 October 2020 – The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) conducted virtually its annual International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO™) Standards Board meeting this week, where it announced new members joining in 2021. In addition, IBAC acknowledged the valuable contributions of David Nigri, Textron Aviation, who served 16 years on the Board, including three terms as Chairman.

The new members joining the IS-BAO Standards Board are Jad Donaldson, Harley Davidson, nominated by National Business Aviation Association (NBAA), and Randy Horsley, private operator, nominated by the Canadian Business Aviation Association (CBAA). Board members Dan Boedigheimer, Advanced Aircrew Academy; Mike Ott, Phoenix Air Group, Inc.; and Juergen Wiese, BMW Flight Service, were reelected to additional terms. James Viola, president and CEO, Helicopter Association International (HAI), joined as a standing member for the rotorcraft community.

Bennet Walsh, IS-BAO Programme Director, said, “This year we are excited to welcome James from HAI as well as Jad and Randy, and look forward to their contribution to the IS-BAO community. On the other hand, we will certainly miss David Nigri for his tremendous insight and expertise and thank him for his 16 years on the IS-BAO Standards Board. We wish him well in his future endeavors.” Added Walsh, “This Standards Board consists of a wide range of active professionals in business aviation operations, large and small, from around the world. They are committed to safety, excellence, and industry-driven standards.”

The 2021 IS-BAO Standards Board members and nominating organizations include:

Chairman: Stan MedVed, EBAA	Pat Dunn, NBAA
Vice Chairman: Len Beauchemin, NBAA	Mohammed Waggas, MEBA
Juergen Wiese, EBAA	Dan Boedigheimer, NBAA
Jens Henning, GAMA	Mike Ott, NBAA
James Viola, HAI	Lynette Sims, ABAA
Doug Carr, NBAA	Kent Wong, AsBAA
Kurt Edwards, IBAC	Jad Donaldson, NBAA
Joanne Wong, AsBAA	Randy Horsley, CBAA
Keith Washington, NBAA	David Nigri, NBAA – Departing Dec. 2020

Also, the Standards Board voted to leave the IS-BAO Standard unchanged this year and launched the IBAC Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Working Group. The working group, headed by Standards Board member Joanne Wong of Uber Elevate, will configure both the IS-BAO and the International Standard for Business Aircraft Handling (IS-BAH™) for leading risk reduction in the AAM sector. AAM includes Urban Air Mobility (UAM) passenger operations and small special-use UAS operations.

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