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## **IBAC Announces the initial IS-BAH™ Stage II Registrations.**

**Montreal, Canada, May 2017** – The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) today formally announced the initial Stage II registrations for the International Standard for Business Aircraft Handling (IS-BAH™), the global code of best safety practices.

The announcement confirms the first Stage II registrations issued in May 2017 to Sky Valet of Cannes-Mandelieu, France; SRC Aviation, New Delhi, India; and TAG Farnborough Airport, Farnborough, UK.

All three organisations have successfully shown that the systems, processes and procedures assessed at Stage I are maturing and continue dynamically to improve safety performance within their ground handling activities.

“Our congratulations go out to the respective management and teams at Sky Valet, SRC Aviation and TAG Farnborough Airport for their continued support and dedication to the IS-BAH™ programme. The first Stage II registrations are a significant milestone for the Programme, and it’s fitting that they should come ahead of EBACE 2017 and the planned IS-BAH™ Standards Board meeting where, following positive user feedback, possible enhancements to the industry ground handling standards will be discussed.” said Terry Yeomans – IS-BAH™ Programme Director.

“We are delighted to be the first FBO in the UK to have achieved Stage 2 IS-BAH accreditation and I know our operators at TAG Farnborough Airport will welcome this. This certification underpins the importance we place on safety management systems (SMS)”, said Roger Walker, Director Airport Operations at TAG Farnborough Airport. “We have a sophisticated and effective SMS in place and are committed to upholding the highest safety standards.”

“Stage Two was more rigid [than Stage One],” said Bobby Chadha of SRC Aviation. “The biggest challenge was ensuring each person in our team understood the importance of what we declare in our manuals.” He added the New Delhi-based company had adopted best practices under the IS-BAH process for ensuring quality and managing risk.

The IS-BAH™ has been created for the industry by the industry. It incorporates a scalable safety management system (SMS) concept in all aspects of FBO/BAHA operations and is complementary with the International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO™), adopted globally by corporate flight departments.

The IS-BAH™ is a joint programme between IBAC and the National Air Transportation Association (NATA). It incorporates the NATA Safety 1st ground audit programme and follows the long established structure of the IS-BAO™ programme.

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Sky Valet, owned by Aéroports de la Côte d'Azur, is one of the largest networks in Europe, and beyond, for FBO and ground-handling services. Sky Valet strategy is to further enhance the quality and excellence of services provided, ensuring an optimal level of security and customer satisfaction, customers can count on professionalism of the highest level at top business-aviation airports.

SRC Aviation was founded in 1976 by Bobby Chadha exclusively for corporate flyers, international private flyers, non-scheduled passenger and cargo flights flying into South Central Asia and has demonstrated its expertise in every facet of aviation & carved a niche as a single window agency to source the entire range of General Aviation services like over-flight / landing permits, military clearances and other mandatory clearances before you fly in. Further, SRC's ground handling services include VIP Facilitation through Custom, Immigration, Baggage Handling, Flight Dispatching, Weather Services, Security Services, Catering, Hotel Reservation and Aircraft Charters.

TAG Farnborough Airport is Europe's leading business aviation airport and a key gateway to London. The airport is biennial host to the world's leading airshow, the Farnborough International Airshow. Farnborough is the birthplace of British aviation and home of the country's first powered flight in 1908.

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