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Gates and Partners Announce New Paris Office

London - Gates and Partners, the specialist aerospace and commercial law firm, is proud to announce that agreement has been reached to open its Paris office. Heading the new office will be Thibaut de Mallmann, who is currently General Counsel of La Réunion Aérienne, working in close association with French law firm Cabinet van der Meulen & Marian. Gates and Partners' Paris office will formally open in April 2010 once the regulatory requirements have been fulfilled.

Senior Partner Sean Gates commented, "This is an exciting time for us at Gates and Partners. We see Paris as a dynamic market in our core insurance business as evidenced by the increasing number of Insurers which are establishing offices there. The office will have significant depth from the start with support from London and with further team members joining by the time of the formal opening. Cabinet van der Meulen & Marian is already well-established in aerospace liability and criminal matters and its members will be collaborating fully with Gates and Partners in the aerospace practice".

Thibaut de Mallmann stated, "I am delighted to be joining Gates and Partners which I regard unequivocally as the best source of legal advice and support for aerospace Insurers".

Maud Marian and Philippe van der Meulen observed, "We consider the collaboration between our two law firms as an outstanding opportunity to offer our respective clients a unique range of litigation, insurance, commercial and criminal support".

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