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Japan Airlines Decides on New Top Management Positions

Japan Airlines Group announced today, the appointments of the Group President and Executive Vice President, who will take office with effect from February 1, 2010.

Masaru Onishi, 54, has been elected to lead the JAL Group as the president of the Group's holding company - Japan Airlines Corporation (JALS), and main air transport operator Japan Airlines International (JALI). He will also be assigned the role of Chief Operating Officer (COO) for the holding company. Onishi joined Japan Airlines in 1978 and for the 6 months prior to his new assignment as president, was serving as the president of Japan Air Commuter and an executive officer of Japan Airlines International.

Hisao Taguchi, also 54, will be assuming the role of executive vice president of the Group and of Japan Airlines International, after serving as an executive officer in charge of the overall operations of the JAL Group in the Kyushu region since April 2009.

Under the strong leadership of the Group chairman Kazuo Inamori, and president Masaru Onishi, Japan Airlines will continue to steadfastly provide flight operations of the highest safety and service levels to its customers, and strive towards the rebuilding of the Group.