(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1110)

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The board of directors (the "Board") of China National Aviation Company Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce that Ms. Chan Ching Har, Eliza ("Ms. Chan") has been appointed as an independent non-executive director of the Company with effect from 26 August 2004.

Ms. Chan, aged 48, is qualified as a solicitor of Hong Kong and England and Wales and a barrister and solicitor of Canada (British Columbia) and is a Senior Partner of Jewkes Chan & Partners. She has been appointed a Justice of Peace (J.P.). She is a standing committee member of the Tianjin Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, member of the First Selection Committee for Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, member of the Public Service Commission, board member of the Hong Kong Hospital Authority as well as the Chairperson of the Kowloon Hospital and the Hong Kong Eye Hospital, and an adjudicator of the Hong Kong Immigration Tribunal. She is also the Legal Advisor to The Hong Kong Chinese Enterprises Association, the Foreign Economic Affairs Legal Advisor to the Tianjin Municipal People's Government, and an arbitrator of China International Economic and Trade Commission. Ms Chan is also an independent non-executive director of China Aerospace International Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 31).

There is no service contract entered into between Ms. Chan and the Company. Ms. Chan will have no fixed term of service with the Company but will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the bye-laws of the Company. The director's fee payable to Ms. Chan will be fixed by the Board pursuant to the authority granted by the shareholders at annual general meeting.

Ms Chan has not previously held any positions with the Company or its subsidiaries, and is not connected with any director, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. She has no interest in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the laws of Hong Kong).

Save as disclosed above, there are not any other matters in relation to the appointment of Ms Chan that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Messrs. Kong Dong, Chuang Shih Ping, Zhang Xianlin, Tsang Hing Kwong, Thomas, Gu Tiefei and Zhao Xiaohang as executive directors and Messrs. Lok Kung Nam, Hu Hung Lick, Henry, Ho Tsu Kwok, Charles, Li Kwok Heem, John and Ms. Chan Ching Har, Eliza as independent non-executive directors.

By Order of the Board
Li Man Kit
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 27 August 2004

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