

News Releases Air Canada and ACPA to Return to Negotiating Table

MONTREAL, April 19, 2012 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada and the Air Canada Pilots Association (ACPA) have agreed to re-commence negotiations.

The parties have agreed to a 10-day negotiation period to begin following the appointment of an arbitrator by the Minister of Labour in accordance with the provisions of the *Protecting Air Services Act*. Air Canada and ACPA will ask that the arbitrator facilitate the negotiations process pursuant to section 31 of the Act that allows for negotiations to take place.

ACPA represents approximately 3,000 pilots employed by Air Canada, and its collective agreement expired on March 31, 2011.

Air Canada and ACPA will have no further comments during the course of these negotiations.

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