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Gates and Partners Appointed BATA Honorary Legal Counsel

The British Air Transport Association and Gates and Partners, the specialist aerospace law firm, are delighted to announce the appointment of Gates and Partners as the Honorary Legal Counsel of the British Air Transport Association.

Simon Buck, chief executive of BATA said: "BATA is very pleased to have appointed Gateand Partners as our Honorary Legal Counsel. The expertise that Sean Gates and his team can offer will significantly enhance our association's effectiveness in responding to the growing regulatory and operational challenges the UK airline industry faces at both national and international level".

Sean Gates, Senior Partner, commented: "We are delighted with this appointment underlining, as it does, our commitment to the industry and are very grateful to the British Air Transport Association for placing their trust in us in this way".

Gates and Partners' main office is in London and it also has offices in Singapore and Paris.

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Notes to Editors

- BATA is the trade body for UK-registered airlines, with members representing all sectors of the industry.
- In 2009, BATA members employed 71,000 people, operated two thirds of the UK commercial aircraft fleet and were responsible for some 80% of UK airline output, carrying 81 million passengers and 1 million tonnes of cargo.
- The ten BATA member airlines are: Air Southwest, bmi, British Airways, DHL, flybe, Jet2.com, Monarch, Thomas Cook, Thomson Airways and Virgin Atlantic.
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