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AAR TO PROVIDE KC-10 SUPPLY CHAIN SUPPORT **AS MEMBER OF NORTHROP GRUMMAN TEAM**

WOOD DALE, ILLINOIS (October 5, 2009) — AAR (NYSE: AIR) announced today that it has been selected to provide supply chain services and logistics support as a member of the Northrop Grumman team on the KC-10 Extender Contractor Logistics Support (CLS) program. AAR's portion of the indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contract is valued at approximately \$600 million over nine years.

As a Northrop Grumman team member, AAR will provide an integrated supply chain program to support the ongoing maintenance and operations of the KC-10 program from facilities and air bases in the U.S. and overseas. The announcement was made following U.S. Air Force's selection of Northrop Grumman as the prime contractor for comprehensive depot maintenance and logistics for the U.S. Air Force's fleet of 59 KC-10 Extender refueling tanker aircraft.

"This award builds upon our experience and excellent performance as Northrop Grumman's supply chain partner on the USAF JSTARS and U.K. MoD E-3D Sentry programs," said David P. Storch, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of AAR CORP. "As a member of the Northrop Grumman KC-10 team, we are confident in our ability to contribute to the operational readiness and sustainment of the fleet."

AAR's role on the Northrop Grumman team is to provide supply chain services that include strategic planning, parts procurement, distribution and repair to ensure aircraft availability and efficient operations while shortening maintenance lead times and minimizing downtime.

AAR is a leading provider of products and value-added services to the worldwide aerospace and defense industry. With facilities and sales locations around the world, AAR uses its close-to-the-customer business model to serve aviation and government/defense customers through three operating segments: Aviation Supply Chain; Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul; and Structures and Systems. More information can be found at www.aarcorp.com.

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