Subaru Corporation Completes First Boeing 777X Center Wing Section

Tokyo, February 9, 2018 – Subaru Corporation today announced that its Aerospace Company completed the production of the Center Wing Section*1 and its integration with the Main Landing Gear Wheel Wells at its Handa Plant (Handa City, Aichi Prefecture) as the first Boeing 777X Center Wing work package.

Subaru manufactures center wing boxes for Boeing 777, large-size twin-engine commercial aircraft, and Boeing 787, mid-size commercial aircraft, as well as center wing boxes for maritime patrol aircraft (P-1) and cargo transport aircraft (C-2) for Japan Ministry of Defense at its Handa Plant. The first delivery of the 777X Center Wing work package, from a manufacturing complex for center wing boxes that has no parallel in the world, marked a significant milestone at Subaru.

To celebrate the milestone, Subaru held a delivery ceremony at Handa Plant on February 9, 2018 with the attendance of honored guests including Boeing representatives Mr. Eric Lindblad, Vice President & General Manager 777X Program, and Mr. Jason Clark, 777/777X Vice President, Operations, as well as representatives of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Chubu Bureau of Economy, Trade and Industry, Aichi Prefectural Government, Japan Aircraft Development Corporation and other organizations.

The first delivery of the 777X airplane to an airline customer is scheduled in 2020 according to Boeing.

Subaru has been participating in the 777X program since its initial design development phase, and is newly responsible for side-of-body section, in addition to center wing box, integration of the center wing section with the main landing gear wheel wells, main landing gear doors, and wing-to-body fairings (forward) as with the existing 777.

In addition to the manufacture of completed aircrafts, Subaru has expertise in the development and manufacture of center wing boxes and wings as one of its core businesses. Subaru will continue to strive to further enhance its technologies, and expand its business at Handa Plant as a base of manufacturing complex of center wing boxes, with trust of customers and partnering together with domestic partners.

*1 A key structure of an airplane which connects the main wings to the fuselage.