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Renaissance Strategic Advisors Names Four Additional Members to its Board of Senior Advisors

Arlington, VA – Global aerospace and defense advisory firm Renaissance Strategic Advisors today named four new members to its Board of Senior Advisors. “We are pleased to capstone a very successful 2008 by expanding our board of advisors”, said Pierre Chao, co-founder and Managing Partner.

LTG (Ret) Charles “Ed” Franklin is a former Vice President and General Manager of Raytheon Electronic Systems’ Air and Missile Defense Systems business unit. While in the United States Air Force, he served as Program Executive Officer, Tactical and Airlift Programs and as Commanding General, Hanscom Air Force Base.

Mr. Martin Meth was most recently the Director of Strategic Business Planning for Thales North America, where he was involved with mergers & acquisitions and defense market strategy. Prior to Thales, he served in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, first as Director of Weapon System Improvement Group and then as Director of Industrial Capabilities and Assessments.

Mr. Anthony M. Valletta recently retired as Senior Vice President and Director of the Defense Sector at SRA International. Previously, he was the Director of the Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence (C3I) Systems business unit, and formerly Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence.

LTG (Ret) Joseph L. Yakovac retired from the United States Army in 2007, where he was director of the Army Acquisition Corp and Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology. His distinguished career includes posts as Program Executive officer of Ground Combat Systems and Deputy for Systems Management and Horizontal Technology Integration.

Together, these proven industry and government leaders bring the knowledge gained from well over 100 years of success in the aerospace and defense sector to Renaissance Strategic Advisors.

“RSAdvisors is delighted to add these four talented and experienced professionals as members of our team of senior advisors. Individually and collectively, they will help us provide our clients with great insight into all aspects of an increasingly dynamic and challenging aerospace and defense business environment,” said Frank Kendall, Renaissance Strategic Advisors managing partner.

Renaissance Strategic Advisors is a Washington D.C.-based, aerospace and defense industry advisory firm focused on corporate strategy development, strategic business development services and due diligence/M&A support services. The firm works with clients across the full lifecycle – from venture start-ups to industry leaders; and up and down the value chain – from component manufacturers to prime contractors. In select cases, the company is also able to provide venture and private equity capital via affiliates and key strategic partnerships.

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