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Renaissance Strategic Advisors Adds Jacob Markish as Principle in London and Ryan Peoples as Associate Principal in Washington, DC

Arlington, VA – Aerospace and defense advisory firm Renaissance Strategic Advisors today announced the addition of Jacob Markish as a Principal and Ryan Peoples as an Associate Principal. "We look forward to adding Jacob to RSAdvisors' new London office and Ryan as a key part of the Washington, DC strategy and due diligence team. They are both deeply experienced aerospace/defense professionals and are a welcome addition to the firm", commented Pierre Chao, Managing Partner.

Jacob Markish joins RSAdvisors with eight years of experience as a consultant in Charles River Associates' Aerospace & Defense practice, where he specialized in aerospace technology, economics, and business strategy. Prior to CRA, Jacob worked in a commercial aircraft advanced design team at Boeing Phantom Works, performing configuration analysis and business case analysis on the Blended Wing Body aircraft. His work was part of a collaborative research project with MIT that formed the basis for his Master of Science thesis, entitled "Valuation Techniques for Commercial Aircraft Program Design."

Jacob's other industry experience includes conceptual design trade studies on launch vehicles and launch trajectory algorithm development at Boeing Space & Communications; guidance and navigation system development for space vehicles at Lockheed Martin Astronautics; and industry research for the Lean Aerospace Initiative at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Jacob holds Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Aeronautics and Astronautics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Ryan Peoples was a management consultant in the aerospace and defense practice of Charles River Associates (CRA) from 2004 to 2010. Before focusing on business consulting, Ryan was a research associate at the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA) from 2000 to 2004, where he supported technical studies performed for the Department of Defense. His work at IDA entailed conceptual design and analysis for a range of defense technologies and systems including ballistic missile defense, unmanned systems, and Future Combat Systems. He has also worked at Lockheed Martin's Skunk Works as a structural design engineer on advanced programs. Ryan holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees in degrees in Aeronautics and Astronautics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Renaissance Strategic Advisors is a Washington, DC-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.

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