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Sal. Oppenheim joins investment consortium for EADS shares

- *Investor consortium purchases 7.5% stake in EADS from DaimlerChrysler*
- *Sal. Oppenheim has a 5% interest in the special purpose entity of the 15 investors*

Cologne/Frankfurt, 9 February 2007 – Sal. Oppenheim jr. & Cie. has joined the consortium of investors comprising several private and public-sector banks that will be purchasing the 7.5% stake in aerospace group EADS N.V. that is currently up for sale from DaimlerChrysler. The consortium consists of 15 investors from the private and public sectors, each of which will acquire between 1.5% and 13% of the total investment value via a special purpose entity. Sal. Oppenheim will be purchasing a stake of 5%.

The German government supported the involvement of the financial investors. Dieter Pfundt, personally liable partner responsible for Investment Banking at Sal. Oppenheim, explains, “We are pleased that our company has been invited to take part in this transaction as one of only a select few chosen by the German government, and that we can work together with renowned partners to help stabilise the ownership structure.”

The transaction represents a total volume of around €1.5 billion. The structure, which will run for a term of 3.5 years in the first instance, is a complex derivative construction. DaimlerChrysler will continue to control EADS as the main German shareholder with an unchanged stake of 22.5% of the voting rights. The investors will receive a preferential dividend in return for their indirect investment. “The acquisition of a stake at the current valuation level represents an attractive investment opportunity that is further enhanced by the preferential dividend”, said Pfundt.

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