



## For Immediate Release

# Ancra Signs Contract with Irkut for MC-21 Lower Deck Cargo Loading Systems

MOSCOW, RU — Ancra International, LLC has signed a contract with Irkut Corporation to develop and deliver the lower deck cargo loading systems for the new MC-21-200 and MC-21-300 mainline passenger aircraft. Each aircraft has the option of a manual or powered-loading system – using 2-inch Power Drive Units – with all four systems being developed simultaneously. Integral to the design is an offering to the operator for future upgrade from manual to powered capability.

The powered systems leverage technology from Ancra’s 747-400 and A330 converted freighter main deck powered cargo loading systems and are designed to load and unload IATA 40/1 and 50/0 containers with reduced manpower. Critical Design Review is scheduled for December 2015 and the first system delivery is scheduled in August 2016.

**“We are excited to be part of the Irkut team as they bring their decades of experience designing and building aircraft to the 150-210 passenger aircraft market space. This program is a blessing for us as we take our own extensive main deck cargo loading system experience and expand it into the passenger lower deck domain.”** says Ed Dugic, Director of Sales and Marketing for Ancra Aircraft Systems.



## About Ancra International

Ancra International was founded in 1969 to serve the cargo handling industry with a complete line of cargo restraint and conveyance equipment for the air, truck, and rail markets. Since its inception, Ancra International’s Aircraft Systems Division has evolved to become an international leader in the design and manufacture of aircraft cargo handling and restraint systems. Ancra prides itself on having provided hundreds of systems for dozens of different aircraft ranging from the BAe146, Q-400, and CN-235 to the TU204, the Boeing 737/747/757 and 767, the Airbus A300/310 and 330 series of aircraft, and the US Air Force

KC-46 Tanker. We provide both manual and powered cargo loading systems for commercial and military operators alike.

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## About Irkut Corporation

Irkut Corporation is a major aircraft manufacturer based in Irkutsk, Russia. Irkut is involved in research and development, manufacturing, support and upgrades of civil and military aircraft, avionics and ground equipment. Irkut is part of Russian aerospace conglomerate United Aircraft Corporation, and its main companies include Irkutsk Aviation Plant, Beriev Aircraft Company, Yakovlev Design Bureau and BETA AIR Company.