

An aerial photograph taken from an airplane window, showing a vast, snow-covered mountain range under a clear sky. The wing of the airplane is visible on the right side of the frame, extending towards the horizon. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm glow. The text is overlaid on a white box with a diagonal hatching pattern.

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Nepal Airlines Corporation, the flag carrier of Nepal, and Unilode Aviation Solutions, the leading global provider of outsourced Unit Load Device (ULD) management and repair solutions, have signed a five-year agreement for the supply and management of ULDs.

Unilode will supply pallets and new lightweight containers for Nepal Airlines' two Airbus A330-200 which are being added to the airline's fleet to serve its growing international network as of August 2018. Nepal Airlines has chosen Unilode's unique ULD pooling solution to benefit from the operational efficiencies and financial benefits offered by this business model.

Mr. Sugat Ratna Kansakar, Nepal Airlines CEO, said: "Nepal Airlines launched a tender to meet the needs for ULD supply and management for our widebody aircraft and have decided to work with the experts in the field as our partnership with Unilode will provide us with immediate cost savings and guaranteed asset availability from day one of our operation. We are excited to expand our fleet with the two new A330-200 aircraft and look forward to our partnership with Unilode."

### About Unilode:

Unilode Aviation Solutions owns and manages the world's largest outsourced fleet of approximately 125,000 unit load devices (ULDs), for use in the aviation industry, and owns the largest global network for the maintenance and repair of ULDs and galley carts. Unilode focuses on the outsourced management and associated services for aviation containers, pallets and inflight food service equipment, and serves over 90 airlines through a network of more than 480 airports, 18 regional offices and 50 certified repair stations, supported by more than 600 colleagues. The Company has been rebranded from CHEP Aerospace Solutions to Unilode

Mr. Benoît Dumont, Unilode CEO, said: "As Unilode intensifies its business development efforts in Asia, we are pleased to add Nepal Airlines to our growing network in the region which will further increase ULD pooling synergies and improve asset utilisation. We are committed to support the fleet growth and network expansion of our customers and add more assets as needed to our ULD fleet and welcome Nepal Airlines to our ever-growing customer base."

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following its acquisition in November 2016 by EQT Infrastructure, part of the leading alternative investments firm EQT with approximately EUR 35 billion in raised capital and portfolio companies in Europe, Asia and the US with total sales of more than EUR 19 billion and approximately 110,000 employees. For more information visit [www.unilode.com](http://www.unilode.com).

### About Nepal Airlines Corporation:

Nepal Airlines Corporation, a fully government-owned organisation, is the flag carrier of Nepal. Founded in 1958, it is the oldest airline of the country and has the key role in developing tourism and air transport service in Nepal. Nepal

Airlines operates domestic services within Nepal and medium-haul services in Asia and the Middle-East. Nepal Airlines' first aircraft was a Douglas DC-3 which used to serve domestic routes and a handful of destinations in India. Nepal Airlines acquired its first jet aircraft, Boeing 727s, in 1972. Boeing 757s arrived in 1987 which were flying on long-haul and displaying the national flag at world airports, helped Nepal make its presence felt in the international aviation arena. In 2015, a fleet of Airbus A320 aircraft were added to service Nepal Airlines' 8 international sectors which has been supplemented recently by newly inducted Airbus A330 fleet. For more information visit [www.nepalairlines.com.np](http://www.nepalairlines.com.np).