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MEDIA ADVISORY

***IRPP Study Concludes Canada Should Negotiate a
Transatlantic Aviation Market with the US and EU***

Montreal – This Tuesday, October 28, the Institute for Research on Public Policy (irpp.org) will release “New Destinations in International Air Policy,” by William A. Dymond and Armand de Mestral, which assesses the implications for Canada of prospective EU/US negotiations to establish a transatlantic aviation market.

The authors highlight the disadvantages to Canada of not being at the negotiating table to take part in the development of an open aviation area.

The study says “there is an urgent need for the Canadian government and airline industry to conduct a wide-ranging analysis of Canadian options and to develop a consensus on the wisest course to pursue.”

The US has already clearly stated its readiness to engage with the EU in developing a new approach to the management of air relations, and Dymond and de Mestral argue that Canada’s involvement is required to create “a multilateral framework for the air services from which all stakeholders would benefit.”

“New Destinations in International Air Policy” is the latest *Policy Matters* study to be released as part of the IRPP’s Managing Global Linkages research agenda. On Tuesday, October 28, 2003, it will be available free of charge in Adobe (.pdf) format on the Institute’s Web site (www.irpp.org).

For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact the IRPP.

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