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ADMIRAL VERN CLARK TO JOIN ROLLS-ROYCE NORTH AMERICA BOARD

Rolls-Royce, world-leading provider of power systems and services for use on land, at sea and in the air, today welcomed Admiral Vern Clark, U.S. Navy (Ret.) to the Board of Rolls-Royce North America Holdings Inc.

Admiral Clark joins the Board after 37 years of distinguished service with the US Navy. Most recently he was Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), the senior-most military officer in the US Navy, and a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, serving as the principal naval adviser to the President.

The second-longest serving CNO in history, Admiral Clark sought to position the Navy for the future. He published *SeaPower 21*, a vision for the 21st century, and led the development of a human capital strategy to revolutionize the training, development and related processes to support the men and women of the Navy. He also forged partnerships with industry with the twin goals of enhancing the business mindset within the Navy and encouraging greater customer focus on the part of industry.

His career is characterized by a lifelong commitment to leadership and an incredible range of command experiences. From a Patrol Boat as a Lieutenant, to CNO, Admiral Clark served more than half his career in command, including ships, two destroyer squadrons, a carrier battle group, NATO's Striking Fleet and the Atlantic Fleet, among others. His career is also marked by an emphasis on joint service; in the decade of the 90s, he spent nearly seven years in the joint and combined area, culminating as Director of the Joint Staff.

James M. Guyette, President and CEO, Rolls-Royce North America, said: *"Admiral Clark is a true leader with incredible perspective and we are thrilled he has agreed to join our Board. The US Navy is critical to the future of the US and the future of Rolls-Royce. Admiral Clark will help us better understand the voice of this important customer, today and tomorrow."*

Admiral Clark becomes the fifth non-executive member of the Rolls-Royce North America Holdings Inc. Board.

Corporate note to editors:

1. Admiral Clark has been honored with numerous military service decorations including four Defense Distinguished Service Medals, three Navy Distinguished Medals and three Legion of Merit Awards. He has also received Distinguished Service Medals from the US Army and US Air Force as well as international awards from countries around the world.
2. A graduate of Evangel College in Springfield, Missouri, Admiral Clark earned an MBA from the University of Arkansas. He also holds two Honorary Doctorates, one in Public Service from the University of Toledo and the other in Science from Old Dominion University.
3. Other non-executive directors include: Carol B. Hallett, past President and CEO of the Air Transport Association and former Commissioner, US Customs Service; General John P. Jumper, former Chief of Staff for the US Air Force; Lt. General Frederick McCorkle, former Deputy Commandant for Aviation, Headquarters, US Marine Corps; and Rear Admiral Riley D. Mixson, former Director of Air Warfare for the CNO and commander of a Battle Group in Desert Storm.
4. Rolls-Royce operates in four global markets – civil aerospace, defense aerospace, marine and energy and is a major industry player in North America. The company employs some 7,300 people at more than 64 locations in 26 US states and eight sites in six Canadian provinces.
5. Global company annual sales total \$12 billion of which \$3.9 billion are from North American businesses. The company's total US investment stands at \$1 billion and growing. US interests hold more than 30 per cent of Rolls-Royce shares. More Rolls-Royce engines are built in the US than anywhere else in the world.
6. Rolls-Royce North America is a socially responsible corporate citizen and a good neighbor. The company and its employees actively support their local communities. In 2005, the organization contributed more than \$600,000 to philanthropic causes and efforts across the region.

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