



**FREQUENT FRYER:** A Boeing 757 operated by British charter airline Thomson Airways used a 50-50 blend of traditional jet fuel and biofuel, made from used cooking oil, to power one of its engines last month on a four-hour flight from Birmingham, United Kingdom, to Lanzarote, Spain. It carried 232 passengers and was the first revenue biofuel flight in the U.K. **PHOTO: THOMSON AIRWAYS**

## Quotables

“They go exactly where they’re supposed to, so I can do my job and protect that 18-year-old holding a rifle on the ground.”

– Air Force Maj. Matthew “Edge” Swanson, an F-15 pilot with 200 combat flight-hours over Iraq and Afghanistan, speaking about Boeing’s Laser Joint Direct Attack Munition (Laser JDAM) at the annual Direct Attack Suppliers’ Conference. Swanson noted that all 26 Laser JDAMs dropped by his squadron during his most recent deployment were direct hits. *Boeing News Now*, Sept. 2.

“Just to hear those things fly above ... it gives you a sense of accomplishment and pride to know you had a hand in something that was worthwhile.”

– Ramon Pena Jr., electrical and mechanical assembler on the Apache helicopter line in Mesa, Ariz. See story on Page 21.