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Green Jet Fuel produced from Honeywell's UOP Renewable Jet Fuel process powered flights to the Rio+20 United Nations Conference in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The Rio+20 Conference brings together leaders, governments and other participants to discuss worldwide sustainable development.

In a project led by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the first flight, operated by Aeroméxico Airlines on a Boeing 777, used Honeywell Green fuel produced from jatropha and camelina. The connecting flight, operated by GOL Airlines on a Boeing 737 commercial aircraft, used Honeywell Green Jet Fuel produced from used cooking oil and inedible corn oil. Each flight used a 50/50 blend of Honeywell Green Jet Fuel with petroleum-based jet fuel.

The first flight, on Aeroméxico transported ICAO's Secretary General, Raymond Benjamin, from Mexico City, Mexico, to São Paulo, Brazil. Fuel for this flight was blended by Aeropuertosy Servicios Auxiliares (ASA).

It was in the year 2011, Aeroméxico began using Honeywell Green Jet Fuel on its regular Mexico City to Costa Rica route as part of its "Green Flights" project, designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Regular flights on this route marked one of the first uses of renewable fuels in everyday airplane passenger service.

Benjamin's connecting flight, which took place on GOL, flew from São Paulo to Rio de Janeiro. Fuel for this flight was blended locally in Brazil.

"Honeywell Green Jet Fuel has been proven repeatedly in military and commercial flights to be a practical solution for using alternative fuel sources, as well as meeting increasingly strict emissions standards," said Jim Rekoske, vice president and general manager of Honeywell's UOP Renewable Energy and Chemicals business unit.

"With the expected growth in fuel demand and the



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increasing refining capacity in Latin America over the next several years, we look forward to continuing to provide sustainable energy solutions to support the region," Rekoske elaborated.

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