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## **Patrick Kron pays tribute to Philippe Jaffré**

Philippe Jaffré, Executive Vice-President of Alstom, passed away on 5 September 2007. His funeral will take place in the strictest privacy.

Patrick Kron, Chairman and Chief Executive of Alstom, paid tribute to Philippe Jaffré, Executive Vice-President of the Group. In a message to employees, Patrick Kron emphasised *"the essential role played by Philippe Jaffré in the recovery of Alstom. When the Group was in a critical situation in 2003 and 2004, Philippe Jaffré brought a vision, expertise and availability which contributed decisively to defining and implementing the solutions which allowed the company to be saved. For more than two years, he struggled against illness with the greatest of courage and dignity which deserves the utmost respect and all this time remained very active in the Company. Those who, like me, had the good fortune to be close to him, appreciated his immense qualities. It is a big loss for us all"*.

Patrick Kron and Alstom's employees offer their condolences to Mrs. Jaffré, her children and family.

Philippe Jaffré was Chief Financial Officer at Alstom from 2002 to 2004. He then became Executive Vice-President of the Group.