Boeing 707-436

The Boeing 707 was the most successful of the early jet airliners and signalled the arrival of the 'jet age' to air transport. The Boeing 707-400 series was an advanced version fitted with British manufactured engines.

The Boeing 707-400 series was an advanced version of the original Boeing 707-120 series airliner. It's fuselage was lengthened by about two metres and its wingspan increased, allowing it to carry more fuel, giving it a greater passenger carrying capacity and range. The first one made its maiden flight on 11 January 1958.

The Boeing 707-436 was similar to the Boeing 707-300 series but this version was specially made for the British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC). It was fitted with British Rolls Royce Conway engines rather than the usual Pratt & Whitney engines and eight were delivered to BOAC.

This model represents G-APFB flying for BOAC in the 1960s.

Data: Medium to long range airliner. *Engines* four Rolls Royce Conway Mk 508 turbofan engines. *Wing span* 44.42m. *Length* 46.61m. *Maximum take-off weight* 149,000kg. *Cruising speed* 977km/h. *Range* 5,400km. *Typical payload* 194 passengers.

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