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Co. reported 1Q18 reported sales of \$15.2b, GAAP EPS of \$1.62. Expects 2018 sales to be \$63.0-64.5b and adjusted EPS to be \$6.95-7.15.

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PRESENTATION

Operator

Good morning, and welcome to the United Technologies' First Quarter 2018 Conference Call. On the call today are Greg Hayes, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer; Akhil Johri, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; and Carroll Lane, Vice President, Investor Relations. This call is being carried live on the Internet, and there is a presentation available for download from UTC's website at www.utc.com.

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In addition, in connection with the proposed Rockwell Collins acquisition, UTC has filed with the SEC a registration statement that includes a prospectus from UTC and a proxy statement from Rockwell Collins, which is effective and which contains important information about UTC, Rockwell Collins, the transaction and related matters. (Operator Instructions)

Please go ahead, Mr. Hayes.

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Gregory J. Hayes - United Technologies Corporation - Chairman, CEO & President

Beyond our financial results, just a word on Rockwell Collins, we continue to see a close in mid-year and are working closely with regulators to complete the remaining reviews. We're excited to combine 2 world-class teams and accelerate our innovation in the high-growth aerospace industry.

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Akhil Johri - United Technologies Corporation - Executive VP & CFO

Lastly, a few additional comments on Rockwell Collins. As a result of the U.S. tax reform, we repatriated \$3.8 billion of overseas cash in the quarter, which is more than \$2.5 billion higher than we originally expected when we announced the deal. So a good start to our cash mobilization efforts, and we expect to have better access to international cash going forward. This higher available cash will reduce the debt funding requirement for the Rockwell transaction, and we anticipate going to the capital markets in the second quarter.

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Ronald Jay Epstein - BofA Merrill Lynch, Research Division - Industry Analyst

When we look at the China — potential China trade tariffs and some of the tension going on right now between the U.S. and China, has that had any impact on your China operations in Otis or CCS? And then, I guess, as a follow-on to that, do you expect that to have any impact on the Chinese approval of the Collins deal?

Gregory J. Hayes - United Technologies Corporation - Chairman, CEO & President

You know Ron, that's a great question. We've been asking that question ourselves of the business. In fact, Judy Marks and her team just got back from China over the weekend. And what looks like to us is the Chinese property market continues to be slow because of some of the cooling measures that have been applied to try and keep property prices in check. But we have seen no impact on any of the businesses, CCS or Otis, in terms of potential tariffs. And keep in mind, we manufacture in China for the Chinese market, right? We're not a big exporter out of China back to the U.S. And so any of this tariff — these discussions back and forth really don't have a terribly big impact on the business. As far as the Rockwell Collins approval goes, we have seen no change in behavior from the Chinese regulators. So all still very professional asking all the questions that we would expect. And we remain on track to, we think, second — late second quarter, early third quarter to close on Collins. And we just don't see an issue out there.

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