BEIJING CAPITAL HELICOPTER APPOINTED AIRBUS HELICOPTERS' SERVICE CENTER IN CHINA

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Beijing Capital Helicopter (BCH), a subsidiary of Hainan Airlines Group, has been appointed as Airbus Helicopters' service center in China. It will carry out maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) work on the H125 and H135 - two of the most popular light helicopters operating in the country today.

Already a customer of Airbus Helicopters owning a fleet of 4 H125 and 3 H135, the appointment will see the two corporations cementing their long-term partnership.

"On behalf of Airbus Helicopters, we welcome BCH into our worldwide MRO network," said Sylvain Goldberg, Chief Operating Officer of Airbus Helicopters China. "Since its creation in 2011 by Hainan Airlines Group, BCH's commitment and professionalism have led them to great achievements in the rotary wing business. Together, we will offer proximity maintenance services to our operators raise the service level for our growing base of customers in the northern China region."

Currently, Airbus Helicopters has a service center located in Shenzhen -- CGAMEC -- which is a

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joint venture with Citic Offshore Helicopter Co. and Samwell Aviation. With BCH on board, Airbus Helicopters will now be able to offer support solutions to customers across the country at closer proximity, whether they are up north or down south.

"We have obtained the CCAR Part 145 certification from the China Airworthiness Civil Authority for maintenance of the H125 and H135 helicopter types," stated BCH President Yun Qiji. "We will continue to develop our capabilities and aim to expand our expertise to cover other helicopter types and provide a full suite of services at the highest standard of quality and safety."

BCH's service center will be located within the Beijing Badaling Airport and is slated to commence operations from September this year.

About Airbus Helicopters China

Created in December 2006, Airbus Helicopters China is the local based customer center of Airbus Helicopters, responsible for sales and customer support activities for the company's entire range of products. In China, Airbus Helicopters has a market share of 40%. With 45 years of presence and over 30 years of experience in industrial cooperation in China, more than 140 civil and parapublic helicopters from Airbus Helicopters are flying in the country today. In order to provide quality service in proximity to Chinese operators, Airbus Helicopters China has established a multi-based organization in Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Harbin, Chengdu, Wuhan and Hong Kong staffed with around 100 employees.

About Airbus Helicopters

Airbus Helicopters is a division of Airbus Group. The company provides the most efficient civil and military helicopter solutions to its customers who serve, protect, save lives and safely carry passengers in highly demanding environments. Flying more than 3 million flight hours per year, the company's in-service fleet includes some 12,000 helicopters operated by more than 3,000 customers in 152 countries. Airbus Helicopters employs more than 23,000 people worldwide and in 2014 generated revenues of EUR6.5 billion. In line with the company's new identity, fully integrated into Airbus Group, Airbus Helicopters has renamed its product range replacing the former "EC" designation with an "H".

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