FIRST DELIVERY IN THE PACIFIC REGION FOR AIRBUS CORPORATE HELICOPTERS

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Airbus Helicopters introduces to Australia and the Pacific region its premium private and business aviation helicopter brand Airbus Corporate Helicopters.

Melbourne-based operator Microflite is the launch customer. Microflite is due to take delivery of an ACH135 in March. The aircraft will complement its existing fleet for luxury charters in Australia.

“Microflite has been our customer since 2000, flying a wide range of our light single and twin helicopters. We are honoured by their decision to acquire a new ACH135 for their expandingfleet, becoming our launch operator for this region,” said Frederic Lemos, Head of ACH.

“ACH has made an excellent start since our global launch and is generating great enthusiasmin the private and business aviation community, increasing its market share steadily. It has been particularly pleasing to see the new ACH160 winning orders. I’m

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confident that we are going to experience the same kind of interest here in Australia and in the region."

Building on its highly successful launch in Europe and mirroring sister brand Airbus Corporate Jets (ACJ), ACH brings to the Pacific market a high-end and exclusive end-to-end ownership experience all the way from first enquiry and ordering, through in-service support, to enhanced resale opportunities.

ACH delivers the highest standards in safety, technology, craftsmanship and service and is backed by HCare First – a premium support service aimed directly at the specific needs of operators typically recording low flight-hours but demanding worry-free aircraft availability when required.

Since launch, ACH has cemented Airbus Helicopters' leadership position in the +1.3 tonne private and business aviation category, underlining Airbus' unique position as an original equipmentmanufacturer offering both business and private jets and helicopters.

The ACH helicopter range consists of the ACH125, ACH130, ACH135, ACH145, ACH160 and ACH175 variants of its comprehensive and market-leading family of light and medium models.

A range of premium-design aircraft completions is available:

> ACH Line is an interior cabin concept inspired by sports car design values to maximise comfort and functionality with clean lines and spare style, offered on all models.
> The ACH160 and ACH175 additionally are available with ACH Exclusive – a combination of luxurious and highly customised interiors with specific exterior details.
> And finally ACH Editions capitalises on a portfolio of partnerships with luxury brands and designers ranging from Hermes to Mercedes Benz to add highly distinctive touches to individual cabins.

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Bespoke or fully individualised solutions are available for each of these configurations.

Renowned for its combination of versatility and comfort, the ACH range of helicopters is admired by passengers and pilots alike for its stylish interiors, smooth and quiet ride allied to its technologically advanced Helionix flight control system ensuring carefree handling and the highest level of safety.

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