Global Partners Building Global Security: Lockheed Martin C-130J Super Hercules Is The Proven Airlifter Of Choice Showcased At Paris Air Show

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Lockheed Martin officials briefed reporters today at the Paris Air Show about the proven capabilities of the C-130J Super Hercules, all of which are key components in aiding global security. Attendees received insight into how the C-130J meets 90 percent of the world's airlift needs, how the aircraft is used today and its future capabilities.

More and more air forces worldwide are lining up to take advantage of the C-130J's unique mix of agility and performance to deploy troops, transport supplies and provide disaster and humanitarian relief to the most remote and austere areas of the world. Within the last year, the C-130J family has expanded to include Norway, India, Qatar, Iraq and Oman. Recently, the first of 14 U.S. Air Force C-130Js to be based in Germany arrived at Ramstein Air Base, bringing additional proven airlift solutions to Europe.

"While we've had a long-time C-130 Hercules presence in Europe with the United Kingdom, Italy and Denmark, the recent arrival of the first C-130J at Ramstein Air Base in Germany gives us another valuable opportunity to show Europe the amazing abilities of this aircraft," said Ross Reynolds, Lockheed Martin vice-president, C-130 programs. "One day, these C-130Js are involved in humanitarian missions; the next, they are deploying to a combat theater. Europe is seeing first-hand just how essential this plane is for air forces worldwide every day."

With half-a-million flight hours on record thanks to six worldwide operators flying six configurations of the aircraft, the C-130I has had ample opportunities to show that it is proven in:

- -- Design
- -- Production
- -- Multimission flexibility
- -- Operations
- -- Reliability and sustainability
- -- Multirole capabilities

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 146,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation reported 2008 sales of \$42.7 billion.

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