## Lockheed Martin Air Traffic Management Automation System For Republic Of Kazakhstan Achieves Full Operation

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A SkyLine automated air traffic management (ATM) system supplied by Lockheed Martin has gone into full operation at the Aktobe Area Control Center (ACC) and three remote towers in Kazakhstan.

The system, installed under contract with Kazaeronavigatsia, the air navigation authority for Kazakhstan, is part of a major modernization program using advanced technologies to achieve the highest standards of quality, safety and security in air traffic management for the region. The system achieved site acceptance ahead of schedule earlier this year and completed the transition in late June.

A comprehensive commercial, off-the-shelf automation system, SkyLine ATM includes flight data processing and surveillance data processing capabilities that can function as a tower, terminal area, procedural or flow monitoring system service. It provides a flexible configuration of features and functions to fit user requirements.

At Aktobe, the system provides en route and approach control at the Aktobe ACC, as well as tower control at Aktobe and the airfields at Uralsk, Atyrau, and Aktau. The contract also includes a Lockheed Martin Omnyx air sovereignty system at the Astana area control center that provides air surveillance across the country and is the foundation for an interagency coordination center in that city, which is the Kazakhstan capital.

"We have been pleased to work with Lockheed Martin on this project, which enhances the safety, capacity and reliability of our national airspace," said Sergey Kulnazarov, the director general of Kazaeronavigatsia. "It has significantly advanced our progress toward achieving an integrated, national ATM program."

"Thanks to the efforts of Director General Kulnazarov, Kazaeronavigatsia and the Ministry of Transport and Communications, the international community recognizes the quality and safety of air navigation services provided by Kazaeronavigatsia," said Jeff Oltchick, senior manager international aviation programs with Lockheed Martin. "We are proud to be a part of their vision and to help them advance air traffic management modernization in Central Asia."

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 140,000 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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