Sikorsky Aerospace Services And RUAG Aviation Sign Agreement For Customer Service Center In Switzerland

PARIS, France -

Sikorsky Aerospace Services announced today the signing of an agreement with RUAG Aviation to designate its Alpnach helicopter facility in Switzerland as an authorized Customer Service Center (CSC) to support the Sikorsky S-76® helicopter platform. Sikorsky Aerospace Services (SAS) is the aftermarket division of Sikorsky Aircraft Corp., a subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. (NYSE:UTX).

“The Alpnach Customer Service Center is aligned with our commitment to provide worldwide aftermarket support services close to our customers. It will also be a key support facility for the future expansion of Sikorsky’s S-76 commercial aircraft fleet in south-east and south-central Europe,” said Frank DiPasquale, Vice President, Sales and Strategic Relationships, SAS.

RUAG’s Customer Service Center will offer Sikorsky S-76 helicopter operators complete aftermarket support – including Sikorsky trained local maintenance personnel for on-site comprehensive maintenance management, inspections and spare-parts procurement.

“RUAG is very pleased to extend the existing service portfolio of helicopter platforms by working with SAS to support the Sikorsky S-76 range of helicopters. To have been selected by Sikorsky to operate their south-central European CSC reflects RUAG’s commitment to superior quality and service in the helicopter market,” said Mr. Heinz T. Scholl, Vice-President of RUAG Aviation.

RUAG Aviation focuses on life cycle support of selected business and military aircraft and helicopters. As such it acts as an integrated in-service support provider for the helicopter fleets of the Swiss Air Force, other international Air Forces and many commercial helicopter operators in Switzerland.

Sikorsky Aerospace Services, a Sikorsky company, provides comprehensive support to rotary and fixed wing operators around the world. It offers its military and commercial customers a full portfolio of support services, including material distribution, maintenance, overhaul & repair, aircraft modifications and life-cycle support. Sikorsky Aircraft Corp., based in Stratford, Conn., USA, is a world leader in helicopter design, manufacture and service. United Technologies Corp., based in Hartford, Conn., USA, provides a broad range of high technology products and support services to the aerospace and building systems industries worldwide.

RUAG is an international technology group for aerospace and defence with high technological skills. RUAG Aviation currently provides helicopter maintenance in Switzerland and Germany for the following platforms: Super Puma AS 332 Mk I, Cougar AS 532 Mk I, Dauphin AS 365 Series, Ecureuil AS 350 Series, EC 120, EC 130, EC 135, EC 63, Alouette II Series, Alouette III Series, Lama SA 315, Kaman K-Max, Sikorsky S-76 Series, Bell UH-1D, Bell 205. The group’s holding company is located in Berne, Switzerland. RUAG has its production sites in Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Hungary, Sweden and the USA. RUAG employs a staff of 7,700 worldwide, with 5,000 employees working in Switzerland, including approximately 10% trainees/apprentices. Further information: www.ruag.com.

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