

## Canada's VIH Aviation Group Becomes Sikorsky's First S-92A™ Kit Launch Customer



*A Cougar Helicopter Sikorsky S-92A® performs a Search and Rescue exercise off the coast of St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada*

**TRUMBULL, Conn., April 27, 2020** – Sikorsky, a Lockheed Martin company (NYSE: LMT) announces that it has signed an agreement with VIH Aviation Group for four S-92A+™ upgrade kits. VIH Aviation Group Ltd. and its operating company Cougar Helicopters Inc. have been a leading S-92® helicopter customer in Canada since 2004 and now, the first S-92A+ kit customer.

The S-92A+ upgrade kits feature the revolutionary Phase IV Main Gear Box, validated to exceed CFR 29.927(c) requirements as demonstrated in full-scale testing. In the event of a loss of primary lubrication system oil pressure, the gear box has demonstrated the ability to provide return to base capability for a range of more than 400 nautical miles.

S-92A+ upgrade kit also includes an increase to 27,700 lb. Max Gross Weight with LifePlus™ improving component retirement times.

"The S-92A+ and S-92B™ programs demonstrate Lockheed Martin's commitment to the commercial business and to our customers," said Sikorsky Commercial Systems and Services vice president Audrey Brady. "This program will enhance safety and lower operating costs, and we are honored to work with VIH as our launch customer for this program."

"VIH Aviation Group Ltd. is pleased to be the lead customer for the Sikorsky S-92A+ kit," said Ken Norie, president and owner of VIH Aviation Group Ltd. "This kit will improve our S-92 fleet's performance and capacity and enables VIHAG companies to continue providing our customers industry-leading, all-weather and deep-water offshore SAR, medevac and passenger transportation."

The S-92A+ upgrade kit and new production S-92B aircraft will share new technologies while providing enhanced reliability and improving economics to fleet operators. Sikorsky anticipates the S-92A+ kit will be delivered by 2023 and the S-92B helicopter in 2025.

For more information, visit [Sikorsky Commercial Systems & Services](#).

### **About Lockheed Martin**

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**About VIH Aviation Group Ltd.**

VIH Aviation Group Ltd. is the parent company of Canada's oldest privately-owned helicopter company having been in continuous operation since incorporation in 1955. They have strategically located bases and offices that service domestic and international aviation services contracts for a global clientele, with a team of over 400 experienced and highly skilled professionals.

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