Lockheed Martin Reaches Super Herculean Milestone With Delivery Of 500th C-130J Airlifter

This Historic Super Herc Operated by the West Virginia Air National Guard's 130th Airlift Wing

MARIETTA, Ga., March 15, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- Hercules history is made once again, with the announcement that Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) recently delivered its 500th C-130J Super Hercules airlifter. This Super Hercules (Lockheed Martin aircraft #5934) is a C-130J-30 aircraft assigned to the 130th Airlift Wing located at McLaughlin Air National Guard Base in Charleston, West Virginia. The 130th Airlift Wing is a longtime C-130 operator that is currently modernizing its legacy Hercules fleet with C-130Js.

The U.S. government operates the largest C-130J Super Hercules fleet in the world. This delivery represents the U.S. government's continued transition to the C-130J as the common platform across the Air Force, the Marine Corps and the Coast Guard.

"This delivery represents the thousands of people — past and present — that design, build, fly, maintain and support C-130Js around the world," said Rod McLean, vice president and general manager of Lockheed Martin's Air Mobility & Maritime Missions (AMMM) line of business. "Like its namesake, the C-130J is a legend defined by its strength and power. Yet, it is the people who are part of the C-130J operator, production, supplier and industry partner communities who truly define the Super Hercules and helped the C-130J Program reach this monumental achievement."

The C-130J Super Hercules is the current production model of the legendary C-130 Hercules aircraft. The airlift choice of 26 operators in 22 nations, the global C-130 fleet has surpassed more than 2 million flight hours and holds more than 54 world records.

Defined by its versatility, there are 17 different mission configurations of the C-130J that includes transport (military and commercial), humanitarian aid delivery, aerial firefighting, natural disaster relief support, medevac, search and rescue, weather reconnaissance, and aerial refueling.

As the most advanced C-130 ever produced, the C-130J-30 Super Hercules (which is 15 feet/4.6m longer than legacy C-130 models) offers these enhancements and advancements compared to legacy models:

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  - 30% more passengers and cargo
  - 50% more CDS bundles
  - 44% more paratroopers
  - 30% crew reduction
  - 14% more fuel efficient
  - 20% improvement in payload/range capability
  - Integrated defensive suite and 250 knot ramp/door
  - Automated maintenance fault reporting
  - Unmatched situational awareness with digital avionics and dual HUD

To learn more about Lockheed Martin's C-130J Super Hercules, visit https://www.lockheedmartin.com/en-us/products/c130.html

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