Airbus Helicopters finalises acquisition of ZF Luftfahrttechnik

Donauwörth, 2 January 2023 – The acquisition of ZF Luftfahrttechnik by Airbus Helicopters has now been finalized, as all the necessary regulatory approvals have been obtained. With over 100 years of experience in the aviation industry, the company will now operate under the name Airbus Helicopters Technik GmbH as a wholly-owned subsidiary located in Kassel-Calden. The world-leading manufacturer of dynamic components for light and medium helicopters including related services with a global customer base is also a national leader with regards to the MRO for dynamic components of military helicopters.

With this addition to Airbus Helicopters' portfolio, the company is broadening its range of MRO capabilities and secures additional competences in the area of dynamic systems.

"With this new entity, we will be able to improve our service offering for our customers including key partners like the German Bundeswehr, thus addressing their MRO needs faster with an increased level of integration" said Christoph Zammert, Executive Vice-President Customer Support & Services at Airbus Helicopters. "Incorporating this new entity into the Airbus family opens up new opportunities in a very dynamic market."

Prior to the acquisition, the company was a subsidiary of the ZF Friedrichshafen AG. The company has delivered more than 10,000 gearboxes all over the world. It is a supplier of the H135 main gear box and has a share in the H145 programme. In 2021, the company achieved revenues of € 94 million and employed more than 450 people. Airbus had a long history of successful partnership with ZF Luftfahrttechnik going back many years to the initial collaboration on the Alouette II and BO105. Today, Airbus intends to build on these strong foundations, continuing to invest in this new entity, and reinforcing its position as an MRO service partner for the majority of the German Bundeswehr helicopter fleet.

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