

Eurocopter delivers an EC135 "l'Hélicoptère par Hermès" to Capital Air Services of the U.K.

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Capital Air Services Ltd. yesterday received a Eurocopter EC135 "l'Hélicoptère par Hermès" – providing this U.K.-based European corporate helicopter charter specialist with a high-end helicopter for customers seeking excellence and optimum comfort.

Delivery of the customized rotary-wing aircraft took place at Capital Air Services' London Oxford Airport operating base.

"We are delighted to receive this very prestigious 'Hermès' helicopter, which will be the fifth EC135 to join our fleet," said Michael Hampton, the Managing Director of Capital Air Services. "We are sure that the immaculate presentation and elegance of this particular aircraft will be very popular with our clients, which – when combined with its proven reliability and speed – will make a very appealing and cost effective aircraft."

The EC135 "l'Hélicoptère par Hermès" redefines the art of travelling and is the result of joint vision from the House of Hermès and Eurocopter, two market leaders in totally different business fields. It combines the excellence of Eurocopter's twin-engine EC135 with the savoir-faire of Hermès, which has accompanied discerning travellers for more than 170 years. Striving for perfection, more than 150 design changes of the interior and the exterior of the helicopter make it a unique flying experience embedded in Hermès' distinctive design signature.

"Today, a new jewel has joined the UK's illustrious Private and Business Aviation helicopter fleet, the biggest of its kind in Europe. It highlights Eurocopter's leadership in this market segment and our devotion and skill to create bespoke solutions" explained Markus Steinke, Managing Director of the Eurocopter UK Ltd. affiliate. "It also marks another important step in Eurocopter's relationship with Capital Air Services as we provide not only unique helicopters for the company's most discerning customers, but also state-of the art maintenance, hangarage and technical services."

The EC135 "l'Hélicoptère par Hermès" joins a Capital Air Services fleet that also includes Eurocopter's EC155 B1, EC135 and AS355.

About Eurocopter

Established in 1992, the Franco-German-Spanish Eurocopter Group is a division of EADS, a world leader in aerospace, defense and related services. The Eurocopter Group employs approximately 17,500 people. In 2010, Eurocopter confirmed its position as the world's number one helicopter manufacturer in the civil and parapublic market with a turnover of 4.8 billion Euros, orders for 346 new helicopters and a 49 percent market share in the civil and parapublic sectors. Overall, the Group's helicopters account for 33 percent of the total worldwide civil and parapublic fleet. Eurocopter's strong worldwide presence is ensured by its 30 subsidiaries and participations on five continents, along with a dense network of distributors, certified agents and maintenance centers. There are currently 11,200 Eurocopter helicopters in service and some





2,900 customers in 147 countries. Eurocopter offers the largest civil and military helicopter range in the world.

About Eurocopter UK Ltd.

Eurocopter UK Ltd. is headquartered in Oxford, with additional bases in Dublin (Ireland), Belfast (Northern Ireland), Hawarden (Wales) and Aberdeen (Scotland). Through this fully-owned subsidiary, Eurocopter enjoys a reputation for innovation, high quality and a strong customer service ethos. Having achieved an exemplary performance in the customization, distribution and support of Eurocopter products for civil and public service customers during the past 30 years, Eurocopter UK also provides state-of-the-art services to the oil & gas Industry and the UK armed forces. The Ministry of Defence relies on 100 Eurocopter helicopters for transport, training and Special Forces missions, and has awarded the Puma Upgrade Programme to Eurocopter UK Ltd. With over 450 helicopters in service in the British Isles, Eurocopter is the leading supplier of turbine helicopters in the United Kingdom.

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