Airbus and Bristow Group announce framework contract for up to 15 H135 helicopters

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Anaheim, 28 February 2024 – Airbus Helicopters and Bristow Group announced a framework contract for up to fifteen H135 helicopters (five firm orders, plus 10 options) during this year's HAI Heli-Expo. The delivery of the first helicopter is scheduled for October 2024.

"I'd like to thank the Bristow Group for their renewed trust in our helicopters. Airbus Helicopters and Bristow Group share a long history, and I am very proud to open a new chapter in our partnership", said Bruno Even, CEO of Airbus Helicopters. "The H135 has proven it's perfect for offshore missions with customers all over the world, especially thanks to Airbus Helicopters' Helionix avionics suite, which reduces pilot workload and increases safety."

"Our longstanding relationship with Airbus, coupled with our extensive experience operating the H135 since 2006, underscores the helicopter's exceptional performance and reliability," said Stu Stavley, Chief Operating Officer, Offshore Energy Services for Bristow Group. "The H135 has proven itself to be a very capable helicopter, both for missions offshore and overland."

Bristow Group Inc. is the leading global provider of innovative and sustainable vertical flight solutions. Bristow primarily provides aviation services to a broad base of offshore energy companies and government entities. Bristow's aviation services include personnel transportation, SAR, medevac, fixed-wing transportation, unmanned systems, and ad hoc helicopter services. Bristow already operates a fleet of 10 H135 family helicopters.

The light twin Airbus H135 incorporates the most advanced technologies available, including Airbus Helicopters' Helionix avionics suite, which, in addition to the 4-axis autopilot, offers an innovative cockpit layout to enhance situational awareness. Designed with three large electronic displays on the H135, the cockpit is night vision goggle compatible and includes a First Limit Indicator which highlights the appropriate engine instrument data for the pilot in one indicator.

To date, more than 1,500 helicopters of the H135 family have been delivered worldwide, clocking in more than 7 million flight hours.







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