

Press Release

ACJ and Sabena technics to co-operate in Self-Protection

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Las Vegas, October 23, 2019 – Airbus Corporate Jets (ACJ) and Sabena technics are to co-operate in proposing self-protection systems (SPSs) for Airbus corporate jets.

Each SPS would combine an existing, state of the art, directional infra-red countermeasure (DIRCM) system with installation on an Airbus corporate jet.

SPSs will initially be offered for the ACJ320 Family.

An SPS offers protection against missiles fired from man-portable air defence systems (MANPADS), which are the most widespread missile-threat today.

Self-defence systems are already in service on some Airbus corporate jets.

The co-operation agreement was signed at the NBAA show, by Sabena technics Senior Vice president Sales and Business Development Daniel Soltani and ACJ President Benoit Defforge.

“This is a great new opportunity to work with ACJ on aircraft protection, which builds on an extensive portfolio of business-aviation services that includes cabin-outfitting and maintenance,” said Daniel Soltani. “We strongly believe that our ability to install and certificate these systems with airworthiness authorities, such as EASA and the FAA, is a key driver of success.”

“Offering self-protection is yet another way in which we care for our customers, and expands and consolidates the widespread range of modern aircraft and services that ACJ offers,” said ACJ President Benoit Defforge.

Around 200 Airbus corporate jets are in service worldwide, flying on every continent, including Antarctica.

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About Business Aviation by Airbus

Airbus Corporate Jets (ACJ) and Airbus Corporate Helicopters (ACH) create the world’s most rewarding flying experiences for customers by providing them with unique expertise, the finest service, best technology and highest standards of care in corporate aviation. All Airbus corporate jets and helicopters come from the most modern aircraft family on the market, derived from Airbus’ successful market-leading jetliners and rotorcraft.

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About Sabena technics

Sabena technics is a leading French independent provider of aircraft maintenance and modification solutions. With over 2,800 employees based in 14 sites worldwide, the group supports a large range of aircraft, from regional, narrow and widebody to military fleets. Its long experience, combined with its strong industrial resources, allows it to answer each of its customers' needs with complete and dedicated solutions: airframe MRO, CAMO, component MRO, modifications, supply-chain, painting and training.

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