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AirTaxi.ph takes delivery of its first H130 for tourism charters in the Philippines



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Philippines, 21 November 2018 – Philippines' largest charter operator AirTaxi.ph welcomed its first single-engine H130 helicopter. Currently operating two H145 helicopters, the new H130 will be dedicated for commercial operations, including passenger transport and sightseeing services in the Southern islands of the Philippines, including Boracay, Cebu and Palawan.

"We are excited to introduce the first H130 into our expanding fleet. Having experienced the outstanding performance of the twin-engine H145 and the success it has brought us, we are confident that the H130 is a timely and ideal addition to meet our needs as we grow our operations in the Philippines," said Peter Angelo Rodriguez, Executive Vice President of AirTaxi.ph.

"We are delighted that AirTaxi.ph has chosen our H130 to bolster their current helicopter fleet for heli-tourism. We are confident that the highly agile and high performing H130 will fulfil every mission excellently, and lives up to its reputation as the best-selling helicopter in the Philippines," said Lionel de Maupeou, Managing Director of Airbus Helicopters Philippines.

The H130 is a member of the Ecureuil family of light helicopters renowned for its performance, reliability, safety and multi-mission capability. It has a spacious eight-seat configuration and large unobstructed cabin, making it an extremely ideal for passenger

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transportation. Thanks to its large panoramic view, low noise signature and anti-vibration system, the H130 offers customers an enhanced onboard experience. Easily identified by its emblematic Fenestron tail rotor, the H130 is fitted with energy-absorbing seats, enhancing operational safety.

In the Philippines, nearly 30 H130 helicopters are flown by civil operators for various missions, including passenger and VIP transport, as well as goods transportation.

About Airbus

Airbus is a global leader in aeronautics, space and related services. In 2017, it generated revenues of €59 billion restated for IFRS 15 and employed a workforce of around 129,000. Airbus offers the most comprehensive range of passenger airliners from 100 to more than 600 seats. Airbus is also a European leader providing tanker, combat, transport and mission aircraft, as well as one of the world's leading space companies. In helicopters, Airbus provides the most efficient civil and military rotorcraft solutions worldwide.

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