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for AgustaWestland AW159 helicopters

Testo del comunicato

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- **The helicopters will be delivered in 2018 and will perform anti-submarine and anti-surface warfare primary missions**
- **The contract also includes support and training package**
- **The Philippine order adds to those in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Korea, bringing the total orders for AW159s to 72**
- **The most advanced helicopter today available for maritime and naval operations in the most modern and challenging scenarios**

Rome, 31 March 2016 – Finmeccanica has been awarded a contract, valued at over 100 million euros, to supply the Philippine Navy with two AgustaWestland AW159 helicopters. The aircraft will be built and delivered from the Finmeccanica Helicopter Division's Yeovil plant, in the United Kingdom, in 2018. The order includes training and multi-year support and adds to those by the United Kingdom and the Republic of Korea. It is a testament to the long standing relationship between the Philippine Armed Forces and Finmeccanica following previous aeronautics and helicopter programmes.

The two helicopters will be equipped with sophisticated state-of-the-art mission equipment and sensors, primarily dedicated to anti-submarine warfare and anti-surface warfare roles. The helicopters will also be capable of performing other roles including search and rescue, maritime security and maritime surveillance.

Mauro Moretti, Finmeccanica's Chief Executive Officer and General Manager, said: "This contract confirms the confidence of the Philippines in Finmeccanica's products as key to its national security and is a further recognition, in the international market, of the company's leadership in the maritime and naval helicopter segment. We will deliver to the Philippine Navy a state-of-the-art product, unmatched in the modern operational scenarios, and customized to meet their specific needs. Also, we will provide the customer with support and training solutions that will enable them to take full advantage of the capabilities of its new helicopters."

Note:

Following the process of the reorganisation of the **Finmeccanica** Group's companies, it should be noted that from January 1st 2016: the "Helicopter Division" has absorbed the activities of AgustaWestland; the "Aircraft Division" has absorbed part of the activities of Alenia Aermacchi; the "Aero-structures Division" has absorbed part of the activities of Alenia Aermacchi; the "Airborne & Space Systems Division" has absorbed part of the activities of Selex ES; the "Land & Naval Defence Electronics Division" has absorbed part of the activities of Selex ES; the "Security & Information Systems Division" has absorbed part of the activities of Selex ES; the "Defence Systems Division" has absorbed the activities of OTO Melara and WASS.

Finmeccanica is among the top ten global players in Aerospace, Defence and Security and Italy's main industrial company. As a single entity from January 2016, organised into business Divisions (Helicopters; Aircraft; Aero-structures; Airborne & Space Systems; Land & Naval Defence Electronics; Defence Systems; Security & Information Systems), Finmeccanica operates in the most competitive international markets by leveraging its areas of technology and product leadership. Listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (FNC IM; SIFI.MI), at 31 December 2014, Finmeccanica recorded restated consolidated revenues of 12.8 billion Euros and has a significant industrial presence in Italy, the UK and the U.S.

Note to editors on the AW159 helicopter

The AW159 is a latest generation, multi-role, multi-mission, maritime and utility helicopter. Designed as an ideal successor to the Lynx, one of the most successful maritime helicopters in the world setting a still unsurpassed 400 km/h world speed record, the new model further expands its naval capabilities and performance with total orders for 72 units placed by three nations so far. The AW159 features a state-of-the-art cockpit with four large displays as well as integrated avionics and mission systems allowing the crews enhanced capability and operational effectiveness.

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