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Sumitomo Mitsui Finance and Leasing Company, Limited

LCI and SMFLH Sign Framework Agreement For Latest Generation Helicopters Order From Airbus Helicopters

Sumitomo Mitsui Finance and Leasing Company, Limited (President: Masaki Tachibana, "SMFL") and LCI Investments Limited (CEO: Jaspal Jandu, "LCI"), a leading global aviation and helicopter leasing company jointly owned by Libra Group (Executive Chairman: George M. Logothetis, "Libra"), have announced a framework agreement for up to 16 of the latest generation helicopters from Airbus Helicopters ("Airbus").

The order, comprising of 9 firm plus 7 options, is made up of a mix of light-intermediate H145 D3, intermediate H160 and super medium H175 helicopters. In addition to the 5 firm units previously ordered, this will bring the total order to date to 21 helicopters from Airbus.

The new Airbus helicopters will be delivered through to 2028 and will be aimed at a variety of missions including Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Search and Rescue (SAR), offshore energy, including wind. The successful completion of this framework agreement will enable the sustainable growth of SMFLH and LCI, as well as maintaining its leading market position in the industry.

The new Airbus helicopters will offer superior performance, flexibility, and lower CO2 emissions than comparable types and other transportation modes. In addition, they will be equipped with the latest suite of navigational and safety features and will also be cleared to use blended Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAFs).

【H145】



【H160】



【H175】



Many of the applicable missions will contribute to the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), such as providing solutions to problems faced by communities and contributing to environmental sustainability by saving energy and speeding up transportation to offshore wind power generation facilities. This is in line with one of SMFL's vision "Chosen for its commitment to SDGs" – as a

responsible corporate citizen and to continue being a chosen business partner for future generations, SMFL is committed to achieving SDGs towards the creation of a better society.

LCI and Airbus previously announced a collaboration agreement to jointly develop ecosystems for Advanced Air Mobility (“AAM”). The collaboration will focus on the development of partnership scenarios and business models in three core AAM areas: strategy, commercialisation and financing. The addition of this new order will further enhance the relationship between Airbus and the SMFL Group in the aviation industry.

Overview of LCI

Company Name	LCI Investments Limited
Head Office	13-14 Hobart Place, London, United Kingdom
Shareholders	Libra Group (65%), SMFL (35%)
Business	Aviation and Helicopter Leasing
No. of Helicopters	Approx. 150 helicopters (owned & managed)
Website	www.lciaviation.com

Overview of SMFL LCI Helicopters

Company Name	SMFL LCI Helicopters Limited
Head Office	8th Floor, North Dock Two, 93/94 North Wall Quay, Dublin, Ireland
Shareholders	SMFL (90%), LCI (10%)
Business	Helicopter Leasing
No. of Helicopters	Approx. 65 helicopters (owned)

Overview of Libra Group

Company Name	Libra Group
Head Office	New York, U.S.A.
Representative	George M. Logothetis (Executive Chairman)
Business	Aviation, energy, shipping, real estate, hotel and other businesses in 60 countries. Libra Group is actively involved in solving social issues such as environmental protection, poverty issues, childcare support and community revitalization.
Website	www.libra.com

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