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Airlift completes NVIS certification of four AgustaWestland AW139's for Lufttransport

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Airlift has completed NVIS (Night Vision Imaging System) certification of four (4) AgustaWestland AW139 for the Norwegian operator Lufttransport. The AW139 NVIS certification has been approved under EASA STC number 10044769, released to Airlift's EASA approved Part-21 Design Organisation (DOA) earlier this year with the certification of the first helicopter. The four aircraft are normally operated in EMS (Emergency Medical Services) role in Norway from Ålesund, Brønnøysund and Tromsø EMS bases.

Airlift DOA has also completed, earlier this autumn, EASA certification (STC) for the installation of the Spectrolab SX-5 Search Light on the same helicopters.

The operator Lufttransport has already awarded Airlift DOA a contract for NVIS certification of its three (3) Eurocopter AS365 N3/N3+ helicopters.

NVIS certification specialist Airlift already holds several EASA STCs for Eurocopter AS365 N2/N3 as well as BK117/EC145 and has completed different certification of EMS/SAR helicopters in Scandinavia, where the use of NVG (Night Vision Goggles) is necessary due to the very short daylight time in winter, especially above the Arctic Circle.

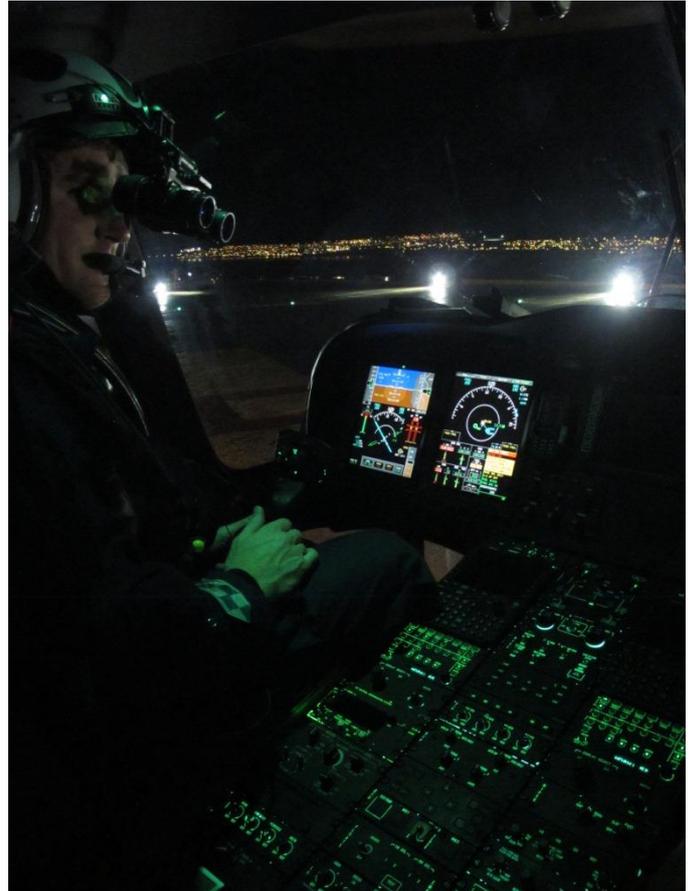
Airlift, as an operator itself, has 15 years NVG operations experience with AWSAR (All Weather Search And Rescue) helicopters in the Arctic archipelago of Spitsbergen (Svalbard).

ABOUT LUFTRANSPORT

Lufttransport AS, founded in 1955, is now one of the leading operators in-clock emergency services with aircraft and helicopter. Lufttransport, based in Tromsø (Norway) operates Air Ambulance Services with both airplanes and helicopters, Coast Guard Surveillance, charter flight, transport of pilots to ships with helicopters and scheduled air transport by helicopter.

ABOUT AIRLIFT

Airlift AS, based at Forde Airport in Bygstad, Norway, is the largest North European domestic helicopter company and the sole Norwegian government contractor for search and rescue. The company is part of the Blueway Group and operates 16 of the group's helicopters.





In addition to performing design and maintenance on its own helicopters, Airlift has also offered design, installation and maintenance services to other helicopter companies for over 20 years. Airlift AS is holder of an EASA Part 21 Subpart J approval as Design Organization (DOA) (Approval ref. EASA.21J.315). This includes approval of design changes related to avionics, electrical and interiors as well as changes and minor repairs related to aircraft structure with a well established expertise in NVIS modifications, EMS layouts and mission/survey equipment installations.

For more information about Airlift AS visit www.airlift.no and www.airlift-doa.com.

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