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PILATUS DELIVERS 1,700TH PC-12 TO JETFLY AVIATION

Market demand remains strong for the Swiss single-engine turboprop as the 1,700th PC-12 enters service. Pilatus handed over the brand-new “milestone” PC-12 to long-time fleet customer Jetfly Aviation.

The worldwide PC-12 fleet has already clocked up over seven million hours in the air. A wide variety of branches – including businesses, private individuals, charter operations and medevac organisations – have opted for the world’s best single-engine turboprop. As in the past, Pilatus expects deliveries of the PC-12 to exceed 80 by the end of 2019.

Jetfly operates Europe’s largest Pilatus fleet

The key to the 1,700th PC-12 with serial number 1912 was presented to Maxime Bouchard, Managing Director of Jetfly Aviation, at the head office site in Stans. Cédric Lescop, CEO of Jetfly, commented with enthusiasm: “We are thrilled to be taking delivery of the 1,700th PC-12. Jetfly operates the largest fleet of PC-12s in Europe, with 40 aircraft in service. The success of the Jetfly fractional programme would not have been possible without this ecological, safe, economic and high performance aircraft.”

“We have enjoyed an excellent partnership with Jetfly for many years and we are obviously delighted to have them as our customer for this 1,700th PC-12, which represents another milestone for our company. Our customers come into the PC-12 for the simple reason that it delivers the best combination of comfort, performance, safety and efficiency available at any price”, said Ignaz Gretener, VP General Aviation of Pilatus.

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Best customer service thanks to worldwide network

“We aim to ensure the PC-12 remains the reliable, efficient aircraft it has come to be seen as worldwide, flown by customers who know they can depend on it for many years of excellent operation”, continues Gretener. With the launch of the latest generation of the PC-12 in 2020, the PC-12 NGX, and together with the global network of Authorised Pilatus Centres, Pilatus will continue to strive to offer the best customer service worldwide, as befits its position as market leader.

Photos are available to download, free of charge, at www.pilatus-aircraft.com/photos.

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About Jetfly Aviation

Founded in 1999, Jetfly is a fractional ownership operator. Jetfly customers each own a share in an aircraft, entitling them to hire an aircraft for private or business use whenever they wish. The company opted for Pilatus aircraft from the start – Jetfly now operates 40 PC-12s and five PC-24s, the largest Pilatus fleet in Europe. Jetfly is based in Luxembourg and employs a workforce of 250.

About Pilatus

Founded in 1939, Pilatus Aircraft Ltd is the only Swiss company to develop, produce and sell aircraft to customers around the world: from the legendary Pilatus Porter PC-6 to the best-selling single-engine turboprop in its class, the PC-12, and the PC-21, the training system of the future. The latest aircraft is the PC-24 – the world’s first ever business jet for use on short unprepared runways. Domiciled in Stans, the company is certified to ISO 14001 in recognition of its efforts for the environment. The Pilatus Group includes two independent subsidiaries in Broomfield (Colorado, USA) and Adelaide (Australia). With over 2,000 employees at its headquarters, Pilatus is one of the largest employers in Central Switzerland. Pilatus provides training for about 130 apprentices in 13 different professions – job training for young people has always been a very high priority at Pilatus.