AIRBUS PROVIDES TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND AIRCRAFT TO AID HURRICANE HARVEY RECOVERY

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The Airbus team – both in the U.S. and around the world – has been watching with great concern the unfolding of the disaster in East Texas, as Hurricane Harvey came ashore and brought torrential rain and resulting floods. With our U.S. helicopters headquarters located in Texas, Airbus is committed to aiding the long-term recovery of the Texas Gulf Coast Region.

“As fellow Texans, our Grand Prairie team is overwhelmed and moved by the enormity of the disaster that has befallen Houston and much of the Texas Gulf Coast. We reached out to offer our assistance to the authorities and customers over the past week and will continue to play a role in the efforts to help in the long-term recovery of the region,” stated Airbus Helicopters, Inc. CEO Chris Emerson.

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Airbus has helicopters currently in Houston providing multi-mission recovery support, including surveillance of flooded areas, supply deliveries and passenger evacuations. In addition, a fast-response team of technical representatives has been assembled and is prepared to assist with expedited material management and technical expertise given that many customers will be flying more hours than usual and under different circumstances.

For rapid-response requests in and around the Houston Area, customers should contact Travis Latiolais (travis.latiolais@airbus.com). For technical support, customers should contact Larry Huntley (larry.huntley@airbus.com), Ken Arnold (ken.arnold@airbus.com) or Mike Muniz (mike.muniz@airbus.com).

Airbus salutes our customers involved in the continued recovery efforts, as the skies over Houston and surrounding areas have witnessed dramatic rescues by the U.S. Coast Guard MH-65 Dolphins, Texas National Guard UH-72A Lakotas and Texas Department of Public Safety H125s and H145s. The air crews have worked around the clock, often in borderline flying conditions, to pluck thousands of people from the flooded city of Houston and the surrounding region.

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