MTU Maintenance and Sunclass Airlines sign exclusive CFM56-5B contract

Zhuhai, 15th July, 2021 – MTU Maintenance, global market leader in customized solutions for aero engines, and new customer Sunclass Airlines have signed an exclusive five-year contract for the maintenance, repair and overhaul of their CFM56-5B engines. The agreement covers comprehensive MRO support, AOG and on-site services as well as spare engine leasing. Sunclass Airlines operates a fleet of sixteen CFM56-5B engines powering eight A321 aircraft.

“We selected MTU Maintenance as our exclusive service provider due to their intelligently customized and integrated service package,” says Henrik Mørch Jensen, Technical Director, Sunclass Airlines. “We look forward to receiving excellent care, innovative and cost-effective MRO solutions, including used LLP material supply, as well as individually-tailored technical support.” Sunclass Airlines is a Danish charter airline that operates flights in Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden. Formerly Thomas Cook Airlines Scandinavia, the airline was taken on by the Ving, Spies and Tjäreborg group in 2019 and rebranded as Sunclass Airlines.

“MTU Maintenance is delighted to have signed an exclusive agreement with new customer Sunclass Airlines,” adds Martin Friis-Petersen, SVP MRO Programs, MTU Aero Engines. “We are extremely confident that our range of services and extensive engine expertise will enable us to provide Sunclass Airlines with highly reliable and cost-effective MRO as well as maximum performance and life from their engines.”

MTU Maintenance introduced the CFM56 family into its portfolio in 2000. As the number one independent CFM56 service provider worldwide with over 10 percent market share, the MTU Maintenance network has serviced well over 2,000 engines in the past twenty years. CFM56 services are carried out at MTU Maintenance Hannover and MTU Maintenance Zhuhai, and MTU Maintenance Berlin-Brandenburg is in the process of introducing this engine to its portfolio, with the first induction expected this summer. Sunclass Airline’s engines will be serviced at MTU Maintenance Zhuhai.

**About MTU Aero Engines**

MTU Aero Engines AG is Germany's leading engine manufacturer. The company is a technological leader in low-pressure turbines, high-pressure compressors, turbine center frames as well as manufacturing processes and repair techniques. In the commercial OEM business, the company plays a key role in the development, manufacturing and marketing of high-tech components together with international partners. Some 30 percent of today’s active aircraft in service worldwide have MTU components on board. In the commercial maintenance sector the company ranks among the top 3 service providers for commercial aircraft engines and industrial gas turbines. The activities are combined under the roof of MTU Maintenance. In the military arena, MTU Aero Engines is Germany's industrial lead company for practically all engines operated by the country's military. MTU operates a network of locations around the globe; Munich is home to its corporate headquarters. In fiscal 2020, the company had a workforce of around 10,000 employees and posted consolidated sales of almost 4 billion euros.

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