**MTU Maintenance signs CFM56 engine MRO contract with Serene Air**

Hannover, November 28, 2018 – MTU Maintenance, the global leader in customized solutions for aero engines, and new customer Serene Air have signed a long-term contract. The agreement covers the maintenance, repair and overhaul of the Pakistani operator’s CFM56-7 engines, powering its Boeing 737-800 fleet. Further, the agreement includes on-site support and spare engine leasing. The contract also includes the option to expand the scope in the future to include additional engines from Serene Air’s fleet.

Serene Air is a privately-owned start-up that has been operating out of Islamabad since 2017 and MTU Maintenance’s first customer in Pakistan. The airline operates domestic flights between the cities Islamabad, Karachi, Lahore, Peshawar, Faisalabad and Quetta. The airline is planning to expand the network to include international destinations in due course.

MTU Maintenance is the number one independent service provider for the CFM56-3/-5B/-7B variants and is seeing strong demand for its -7B services. The MRO provider expects to see well over 100 shop visits on the CFM56-7 in 2019. The global leader in customized solutions has close to 40 years’ engine MRO experience on over 30 engine models and performs around 1,000 shop visits per year at its locations in Hannover (Germany), Berlin (Germany), Zhuhai (China) and Vancouver (Canada).

**About MTU Aero Engines**

MTU Aero Engines AG is Germany’s leading engine manufacturer, with core competencies in low-pressure turbines, high-pressure compressors, turbine center frames, manufacturing processes and repair techniques. MTU plays a key role in the new engine market through its partnership in many international development, manufacturing and sales programs, to which it contributes its high-tech components. One third of the global fleet of passenger airliners relies on components supplied by MTU. MTU is one of the world’s top 5 providers of maintenance services for commercial aircraft engines and industrial gas turbines. These activities are combined under the roof of MTU Maintenance. In the military sector, MTU Aero Engines is the lead industrial partner for almost every type of engine flown by the German armed forces. MTU operates affiliates around the globe; its corporate headquarters are based in Munich, Germany.

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