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Heli-Expo 2019: Kopter Group will exhibit its SH09 helicopter in a passenger transport configuration and unveil an innovative flight training solution

- Full-scale SH09 mock-up to be displayed with a seven-seat cabin layout, proudly carrying the colors of U.S.-based operator Papillon Helicopters
- Innovative simulator from VRM Switzerland will be exhibited following a strategic alliance signed with Kopter Group

Wetzikon, Switzerland, February 19, 2019 – Kopter Group will have a high-profile participation at this year's Heli-Expo show in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, displaying a full-scale mock-up of its new SH09 helicopter outfitted with a seven-seat transport configuration (five passengers and two pilots) engineered and manufactured by Metro Aviation. After developing SH09 law enforcement and EMS interiors, Metro Aviation has extended its cooperation with Kopter Group to feature this new cabin layout – once again emphasizing the SH09's versatility and attributes.

The multi-role SH09 helicopter is a highly adaptive and versatile platform to transport passengers with the highest levels of safety, comfort and visibility. Thanks to its large cabin, the SH09 allows multiple interior layouts that provide ample legroom as well as flexibility for added luggage loaded through the rear clamshell doors. The helicopter's low vibration levels with its five-blade main rotor, as well as the silent noise signature of a shrouded tail rotor, create the ultimate flying experience.

The SH09 mock-up is presented in the livery of Papillon Helicopter's "Grand Canyon Golden Eagle" paint scheme. Widely regarded as one of the largest and most accomplished aerial sightseeing operators in the world and well known for their unforgettable Grand Canyon aerial excursions, Papillon Helicopters is a mainstay for helicopter tours from Las Vegas and Boulder City to the West Rim and other spectacular tours from the Grand Canyon's South Rim. Papillon's sister company Rainier Heli International Inc., an aircraft leasing company, has placed an SH09 order for 5 firm and 5 option positions.

In parallel with Kopter Group's presence at Heli-Expo 2019, the company is continuing the SH09 flight test activities. Prototype 3 (P3) currently is operating from Kopter Group's Mollis, Switzerland production facility ahead of its departure to Sicily for a campaign that is to significantly open the helicopter's flight envelope.

Heli-Expo debut for VRM Switzerland's innovative SH09 simulator

Included on Kopter Group's booth will be the SH09 motion-based simulator from VRM Switzerland, which follows a newly-signed strategic alliance that enables both companies to jointly offer flight training solutions for the SH09. VRM Switzerland, based in the Innovation Park Zürich, has developed a highly innovative device that will allow SH09 customers to train more efficiently and cost-effectively – benefitting from features that include a high-resolution virtual reality visual system, a highly-dynamic six degree-of-freedom (6 DOF) motion platform, and a high-speed control unit that leverages the motion system's full performance.

Kopter's Group's investment in training solutions underscores the company's emphasis on developing digital and global services to best support its customers worldwide.

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*Journalists are invited to Kopter Group's **press briefing on 4 March at 4:00pm** in Room B207 at the Georgia World Congress Center to learn more about the most recent company developments. Kopter Group also has scheduled an **event on 5 March at 12:00** on its stand (Booth B4016) where major announcements will be made.*

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About Kopter Group AG

We develop, produce and support a new generation of helicopters. Our first – the single-engine, turbine-powered SH09 – outperforms its peers with increased modularity, modern electronic systems, and a larger cabin and cargo hold. The SH09 delivers safety, performance and comfort at low operating costs. Outstanding performance – including fast cruise speeds and excellent hot-and-high capabilities – is combined with a low noise signature resulting from the newly developed dynamic assembly and shrouded tail-rotor.

Kopter Group's 300 talented team members are based near Zürich, Switzerland – with corporate/engineering offices at Wetzikon, and the production and assembly facilities in the cities of Mollis and Näfels.

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