

GLOBAL TURBINE ASIA NAMED KEY SUPPORT TO HELANG FLYING ACADEMY, NEW REGIONAL FLYING SCHOOL IN IPOH.

Global Turbine Asia to provide engine services support for Helang Flying Academy, set to open its doors by third quarter of 2017.

Langkawi, Mar 22, 2017 – Global Turbine Asia Sdn Bhd (GTA), a Malaysian born joint venture with Safran Group has signed a memorandum of understanding providing engine maintenance works for helicopters and aircrafts to Helang Flying Academy Sdn Bhd (HFA), the new regional flying school based in Ipoh, Malaysia.

The MoU signed will see GTA & HFA discussing on Support By the Hour program for the future Safran Helicopter Engine equipment acquisitions and to jointly explore a mutual collaboration in training while respecting both parties' interest and core business activities.

This contract will cover end to end support, allowing Helang Flying Academy to guarantee the excellence of the fleet of seven EC120 helicopters that it is currently acquiring. Safran Helicopter Engines will cover all phases of the maintenance process giving Helang Flying Academy a global support system that optimises maintenance costs and ensures on-time performance.

This MoU also covers Helang Flying Academy mechanic training by Safran Helicopter Engines which leads to HFA being the first Safran Helicopter Engines-approved centre for overhaul of helicopter engines in the Asian region.

Helang Training Academy is a joint venture between Major Flagship Sdn Bhd, and Defense Conseil International (DCI), the reference operator of the French Ministry of Defence. The JV was announced last year at Farnborough Airshow, in London and aims at providing training to Military and Civil operators from Asia and Middle East from its modern facilities in Malaysia.

“Having a well maintained aircraft is just as important as our experienced instructor personnel and experts providing state of the art training to our students. We are confident that GTA will be able to provide exceptional level of service required for our academy,” commented Charles Le Bot, CEO of Helang Flying Academy after he signed the MoU with Dato' Nonee Ashirin Dato' Mohd Radzi, GTA Chairman & CEO. The signing was witnessed by Valerie Patuel, COO of Global Turbine Asia, DCI President Jean Michel Palogos, Dato Zaki Zahid, Director of Major Flagship Sdn Bhd, Dato Rozabil Abdul Rahman, Director of Major Flagship Sdn Bhd and Franck Saudo, Executive Vice President, Safran Helicopter Engines.

“We are happy to and very excited to supporting Helang Flying Academy in their extensive operations . We are looking forward to daily ensuring excellence in our relations and to play our important role for their fleet availability and ensure safe operations with our engines ,” added Dato' Nonee.

DCI, who is already a key customer to GTA's partner, the Safran Group, has a renowned expertise in the helicopter field, both in pilot training as well as maintenance operations. The company will provide key specialists in providing training at the academy.

Currently, GTA and Helang Flying Academy are finalizing the details on the types of maintenance support which includes the comprehensive Support By Hour® service.

Helang Flying Academy targets to provide training for civil and government clients in the South East Asia region, which includes initial pilot and specific mission training.

GLOBAL TURBINE ASIA

Global Turbine Asia is an independent engine and maintenance, repair and overhaul service provider of military and civil engines in the Asia Pacific region.

A Malaysian born joint venture with Safran Group, GTA is a representation of true technical capabilities, dedication and partnership, which have developed and grown from a local industrial footprint into a regional inspiration.

GTA began its journey in 2010 with a focused objective - to become the local champion leading the industry in rotor wing engines, providing dedicated support to Safran customers in Malaysia. At LIMA 2017, they embark on their next chapter of growth, establishing expertise and world class capabilities to better serve the industry, aptly captured in their new tagline, Powering Excellence. Through collaboration with Safran, one of the world's innovative companies in the world, GTA gains competitive advantage over others, having undergone rigorous technical and processes requirements, having close proximity to their customers, which translates to excellent customer service standard.

Helang Flying Academy

Created as a joint venture between Défense Conseil International (DCI) and Major Flagship Sdn Bhd (MFSB) in July 2016, Helang Flying Academy is the first regional helicopter training centre in Malaysia. It allows Malaysia to offer helicopter training adapted to the needs of State agencies and the armed forces.

For more information, please contact:

Rumaizon at +6019 226 0252 or email: Rumaizon@ideascape.com.my

sales@helangflyingacademy.com

www.helangflyingacademy.com/