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ATR and Royal Air Maroc sign a Global Maintenance Agreement

The European manufacturer of turboprop aircraft ATR and the national Moroccan airline Royal Air Maroc announce the signature of a Global Maintenance Agreement (GMA) for the airline's new fleet of ATR '-600' aircraft. Signed for an initial period of four years, the contract covers the four ATR 72-600s already owned by the airline. Having received its first ATR 72-600 in August 2011, Royal Air Maroc was the first operator in the world to operate the aircraft.

As set out in this GMA contract, ATR will manage all aspects of maintenance and repair for some equipment for the airline's ATR '-600' fleet. This equipment includes LRUs and propeller blades. By signing this contract, ATR guarantees Royal Air Maroc the permanent availability of these spare parts from its logistics center in Paris. The airline will also use ATR exclusively for all of its maintenance procedures, thus benefitting from the manufacturer's expertise. This will have a positive impact on maintenance costs per flight hour.

With regards to this contract, Zouhair Mohamed El Aoufir Deputy General Manager of Royal Air Maroc stated: "We are proud to be the first operator of these new ATR '-600' aircraft and we are very happy with the technical reliability of these aircraft, which we have already been operating for nearly two years. It is now time to develop our partnership further with ATR through the signing of this agreement. This will allow us to be able to continue to optimize the operation of our new fleet and to offer a high quality service to our passengers."

Lilian Braylé, ATR Product Support and Services Director, stated: "One of the contributing factors to ATR's success is the support we offer our customers. We make sure we meet their requirements as far as is possible to ensure the rollout of their fleet and optimum daily operations. GMA contracts are an essential part of our customer service strategy as they enable us to make our aircraft knowledge and expertise available to customers and to relieve them of important maintenance coordination and management tasks."

Nearly 300 ATR airplanes currently in operation are covered by GMA with ATR. This represents nearly a third of ATR's total operational fleet.

About GMA (Global Maintenance Agreement):

GMA maintenance and support contracts are tailored to the requirements of each operator and include a wide range of services to facilitate the operation of their aircraft and to reduce maintenance costs. As an aircraft manufacturer, ATR has acquired a unique expertise and offers customers the most profitable solutions to outsource their maintenance. The main advantages of GMAs are: the guarantee of part availability, reduced maintenance costs and the simplification of logistics due to the unique interface offered by ATR.

**About Royal Air Maroc:**

Royal Air Maroc has been transporting passengers and freight since 1957 and is constantly guided by strict requirements in terms of quality, safety and customer satisfaction. Drawing on its international presence on four continents, Royal Air Maroc is a partner of reference for large operators in air transport, tourism and the aeronautical industry. Royal Air Maroc's fleet currently comprises 46 medium- and long-haul aircraft, including B-737s, B-767, B-747. It also includes 4 ATR 72-600s.

About ATR:

Founded in 1981, ATR has become the world leader on the market for regional aircraft with 90 seats or less. Since its creation, ATR has sold over 1,300 aircraft. Its customer base today comprises over 180 operators in 90 countries. ATR planes have totaled over 21 million flight hours. ATR is an equal partnership between two major European aeronautics players, Alenia Aermacchi (a Finmeccanica Group company) and the Airbus Group. Its head office is in Toulouse. ATR is ISO 14001 certified. This is the international reference standard in the field of environmental friendliness.

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