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Mandarin Airlines adds a Global Maintenance Agreement to its partnership with ATR

ATR reaches a key milestone of more than 300 in-service aircraft covered by its flagship maintenance offer

Toulouse, April 11, 2018 – ATR and Mandarin Airlines, a regional subsidiary of Taiwan's flag carrier China Airlines, have signed a Global Maintenance Agreement (GMA). This comprehensive support package covers the repair, overhaul and pooling services of Line Replaceable Units, along with a door-to-door service through which ATR is providing transportation of spares to the airline's facilities.

This GMA covers the entire ATR fleet of the Taiwanese carrier, consisting of nine ATR 72-600s. World's leading turboprop manufacturer ATR hereby reaches a key milestone of more than 300 in-service aircraft under GMAs. Through ATR's flagship maintenance offer, Mandarin Airlines will benefit from an a la carte pay-by-the-hour maintenance package, with a high level of flexibility that makes it possible to meet a wide range of specific needs, depending on the operator's local resources, fleet and expected operations.

Mandarin Airlines' President, Jenny Tsao, declared: "In terms of maintenance and repair, the ATR GMA allows us to minimise our own stock level while maintaining an adequate level of protection. The delivery time for parts is very short, which means easier budget control for us and enhanced efficiency. Most of all, ATR's support is proving extremely useful when it comes to offering recommendations as we phase in our new fleet and learn how to make the most of it."

This maintenance agreement is part of a broader support from ATR who will be providing a full range of technical and engineering maintenance services, along with comprehensive training solutions for the airline's flight crew, mechanics and technicians. ATR is also supporting China Airlines and its subsidiaries to set-up in-house capabilities for ATR heavy maintenance, up to C-checks.

Tom Anderson, Senior Vice-President Programs and Customer Services of ATR stated: "Our partnership with Mandarin Airlines is a great example of ATR's commitment to anticipate and answer the various needs of our operators worldwide. Mandarin Airlines will indeed also benefit from continuous monitoring of the aircraft configuration to enhance safety and reliability even further."

Mandarin Airlines started operating its first ATR 72-600s in February 2018. Taiwan's domestic network counts 1.2 million passengers annually and the airline's aircraft are already providing essential air services within the country.

About Mandarin Airlines:

Mandarin Airlines was established on June 1991, and was initially a joint venture by China Airlines (67%) and Koos Group (33%). The establishment of Mandarin Airlines is closely related to the unique status of Taiwan. At the time, Mandarin Airlines' parent company, China Airlines, still served as the flag carrier of the Republic of China. Today, China Airlines is the flag carrier of Taiwan, and owns 93.99% of Mandarin Airlines

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About ATR:

European turboprop manufacturer ATR is the world leader in the regional aviation market. ATR designs, manufactures and delivers aircraft, with its fleet encompassing more than 200 airlines in nearly 100 countries. The ATR 42 and the ATR 72 are the best-selling aircraft in the below 90-seat category. With continuous improvement as a driving force, ATR produces cutting edge, comfortable and versatile turboprops that help airlines expand their horizons by creating more than 100 new routes every year. Compared with other turboprops, ATRs offer an advantage of 40% on fuel burn, 20% on trip cost and 10% on seat cost, whilst offering the lowest noise emissions. ATR is an equal partnership between leading aerospace firms Airbus and Leonardo and benefits from a large global customer support network allowing it to deliver innovative services and solutions to its clients and operators all over the world. For more information, please visit http://www.atr-aircraft.com.

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