

Finmeccanica-Alenia Aermacchi: new international order for the C-27J

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Rome, 23 September 2015 - Finmeccanica-Alenia Aermacchi signed a new order for two C-27J tactical airlifters by an Air Force of the African continent. The contract also envisages a logistic support package.

The two aircraft will be delivered starting from 2017 and will be used for the transport of troops and materials and for homeland security and civil protection operating also on semi-prepared strips.

The C-27J has already proved its capability of operating under the most complex conditions for an airplane of its category during the many operating cycles in Afghanistan with three air forces (Lithuania, Italy and the United States) and in the Sub-Sahara with Chad.

After those of Morocco and Chad, this is the third order on the African continent confirming that the C-27J is the optimal choice for those air forces that have highly complex requirements and operate in harsh environments; given the aircraft's robustness, maneuverability on ground and in flight, load capacity and ability to operate on any type of surface, even with very high temperatures.

The C-27J has also been ordered by the Air Forces of Italy, Greece, Bulgaria, Lithuania, Romania, Morocco, U.S., Mexico, Australia, Chad, Peru and Slovak Republic, for a total of 82 aircraft to date. 67 C-27J have been delivered so far.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

The C-27J Spartan is considered worldwide as the benchmark in the new-generation, medium battlefield airlifter category, assuring the best performances and the maximum operating flexibility. The C-27J is a twin-engine, turboprop, tactical transport aircraft with state-of-the-art technology in avionics, propulsion and systems. It provides extreme operating flexibility and cost efficiency and the best performances among the other aircraft of its class in any environmental condition and has unique characteristics of interoperability with heavier airlifters. The C-27J can perform a variety of missions including transport of troops, goods, MEDEVAC, airdrop operations, paratroopers' launches, search and rescue (SAR), logistical re-supply, humanitarian assistance, fire fighting and operations in support of homeland security.