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10TH ANNIVERSARY OF CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 – A DECADE OF OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

Vienna, 25 May 2016 - Ten years after the first delivery of CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 to the launch customer, the Vienna-based Schiebel company proudly celebrates the anniversary of its world class product.

Unmanned helicopter development at Schiebel started in 1995 and once the first CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 was supplied to the UAE Armed Forces in 2006, it took only three years before Schiebel had sold the 100th aircraft. During its ongoing production since then and in line with the company's philosophy of permanent performance enhancement, the CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 UAS has undergone continuous improvement in order to meet the ever growing demand for new capabilities from its worldwide customers.

Backed by Schiebel's customers and industrial partners, the CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 now stands out as the unchallenged market leader in its class. After missions on five continents and oceans and in every environment from the tropics to the Arctic, the S-100 undeniably proved to be the most mature system of its kind in the world today.

The multi-sensor capability of the S-100 underpins the helicopter's outstanding operational performance across a wide spectrum of applications, from peace-keeping and humanitarian assistance to industrial, maritime and military support. With missions completed on thirty different vessels, Schiebel takes special pride in its ability to deliver exceptional capability from remote and austere operating sites, including "single-spot" vessels. The latter clearly explains the popularity of the system among naval customers such as the French Navy, who deployed the CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 during their EU NAVFOR Anti Piracy Operation in the Arabian Sea, or the Italian Navy, for whose Mare Nostrum Operation in the Mediterranean the S-100 was essential.

Schiebel's CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 has made history with several world firsts, including the first ever UAS flight displays at the Paris International Air Show, Le Bourget, the International Defence Exhibition and Conference (IDEX), Abu Dhabi, and the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA), Malaysia. The S-100, furthermore, excelled during its security support of both the G20 Summit in Seoul, South Korea, and the Winter Olympics and Paralympics in Sochi, Russia. More recently the CAMCOPTER[®] S-100 was also the first UAS to be operated in the Russian and the Canadian Arctic.

In addition to such impressive achievements, Schiebel is especially proud and honored to assist the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine and the NGO Migrant Offshore Aid Station (MOAS), whose operation has saved the lives of thousands of migrants in the Mediterranean Sea.

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Besides the excellent S-100 performance, the characteristic CAMCOPTER® design has won various awards and the helicopter has made its way into the permanent collection of the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) in New York. The system is also displayed at a most prominent location in the Vienna Technical Museum.

With this impressive pedigree Schiebel looks forward to meeting future customer needs for further increased capability and payload and to continue, supported by its partners, to deliver the most flexible, operationally effective unmanned helicopter systems in the world.

About Schiebel:

Founded in 1951, the Vienna-based Schiebel Group focuses on the development, testing and production of state-of-the-art mine detection equipment and the revolutionary CAMCOPTER® S-100 Unmanned Air System (UAS). Schiebel has built an international reputation for producing quality defense and humanitarian products, which are backed by exceptional after-sales service and support. In 2010, Schiebel's new composite division has started to supply high-tech customers with products of supreme carbon fiber technology - all quality-controlled to meet ISO 9001 standards. With headquarters in Vienna (Austria), Schiebel now maintains production facilities in Wiener Neustadt (Austria) and Abu Dhabi (UAE), as well as offices in Washington DC (USA) and Phnom Penh (Cambodia).

About the CAMCOPTER® S-100:

Schiebel's CAMCOPTER® S-100 Unmanned Air System (UAS) is a proven capability for military and civilian applications. The Vertical Takeoff and Landing (VTOL) UAS needs no prepared area or supporting launch or recovery equipment. It operates in day and night, under adverse weather conditions, with a beyond line-of-sight capability out to 200 km, both on land and at sea. The S-100 navigates via pre-programmed GPS waypoints or is operated with a pilot control unit. Missions are planned and controlled via a simple point-and-click graphical user interface. High definition payload imagery is transmitted to the control station in real time. Using "fly-by-wire" technology controlled by a triple-redundant flight computer, the UAV can complete its mission automatically. Its carbon fiber and titanium fuselage provides capacity for a wide range of payload/endurance combinations up to a service ceiling of 18,000 ft. In its standard configuration, the CAMCOPTER® S-100 carries a 75 lbs/34 kg payload up to 10 hours and is powered with AVGas or heavy fuel.

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