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Schiebel Camcopter S-100 Completes Successful French Navy Qualification Flights



Schiebel's CAMCOPTER S-100 Unmanned Air System once again convinced with its outstanding maritime capability when successfully completing qualification flights for the French Navy from 29 May to 3 June 2017.

The flight trials were performed from the deck of the Bâtiment de Projection et de Commandement (BPC) Dixmude, the newest of the French Navy's three Mistral class amphibious assault ships. The French fleet is currently undergoing a modernization process within which Schiebel participates in flight trials in order to confirm the Ship Helicopter Operating Limits (SHOL) and to qualify the CAMCOPTER S-100's integration onto the BPC.

During the flight demonstrations in the Western Mediterranean the CAMCOPTER S-100 conducted around 30 takeoffs and landings within a total of 15 flight hours during day and night. A L3 Wescam's MX-10 was used to transmit daylight and infrared data. Throughout the trials the system was operated independently by the French Navy CEPA/10s crew.

As in previous deployments for the French customer, here again Schiebel's CAMCOPTER S-100 – with its small footprint and exceptional capability – successfully proved to be a highly valuable asset for demanding maritime operations.

