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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY EXTENDS CONTRACT FOR SCHIEBEL'S CAMCOPTER® S-100 CAPABILITY

Australia, Nowra, 26 July 2021 – The Royal Australian Navy (RAN) awarded Schiebel with a 3-year extension contract for the sustainment of its CAMCOPTER® S-100. The extension allows the RAN to continue to experiment and develop knowledge using the S-100.

After winning the RAN contract back in 2016, Schiebel has built on its initial acquisition contract resulting in this substantial extension. The contract includes field support services, engineering and logistics elements, as well as the creation of a sovereign Australian CAMCOPTER® S-100 training capability delivered by Schiebel Pacific Pty Ltd.

"For Schiebel Pacific the contract extension secures existing Australian jobs and will create further positions for Australian Unmanned Air System (UAS) experts. We are immensely proud that we were able to convince with our CAMCOPTER® S-100", said Hans Georg Schiebel, Chairman of the Schiebel Group.

The CAMCOPTER® S-100 holds an impressive track record of supporting naval customers, with missions successfully completed on over 40 different ships on all the world's oceans, in every environment from the tropics to the arctic.

About Schiebel Pacific:

Schiebel Pacific Pty Ltd (SPL), the Australian subsidiary of the Schiebel Group, demonstrates a commitment to local industry and is backed by Schiebel's international reputation for quality defence products and exceptional after-sales services. The Australian base focuses on contract management, service provision, production and maintenance of the revolutionary CAMCOPTER® S-100 Unmanned Air System (UAS), providing the Pacific region with a permanent and comprehensive programme, logistics and sales hub.

About the CAMCOPTER® S-100:

Schiebel's CAMCOPTER® S-100 Unmanned Air System (UAS) is an operationally proven capability for military and civilian applications. The Vertical Takeoff and Landing (VTOL) UAS requires no prepared area or supporting equipment to enable launch and recovery. It operates by day and by night, under adverse weather conditions, with a beyond line-of-sight capability out to 200 km / 108 nm, over land and sea. Its carbon fibre and titanium fuselage provides capacity for a wide range of payload / endurance combinations up to a service ceiling of 5,500 m / 18,000 ft. In a typical configuration, the CAMCOPTER® S-100 carries a 34-kg / 75-lbs payload up to 10 hours and is powered with AVGas or JP-5 (F-44) and Jet-A1. High-definition payload imagery is transmitted to the control station in real time. In addition to its standard GPS waypoint or manual navigation, the S-100 can successfully operate in environments where GPS is not available, with missions planned and controlled via a simple point-and-click graphical user interface. The high-tech unmanned helicopter is backed by Schiebel's excellent customer support and training services.

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