



# **Press Release**

# Aerodata and LBAS sign agreement for Special Mission Aircraft Modifications and Retrofits

Combined forces for modification and MRO projects

Aerodata AG and Lufthansa Bombardier Aviation Services GmbH (LBAS) have announced they will be collaborating in the field of aircraft retrofits and modifications. The agreement was signed by both companies at the ILA Berlin Air Show 2010 in Berlin-Schoenefeld.

Aerodata AG, as a world-renowned design and modification centre for a variety of special mission aircraft types, and LBAS, as the joint-venture maintenance location for Bombardier business aircraft in Europe, intend to combine forces to handle similar modification projects, as well as selected bigger maintenance projects, in the future. It is also planned to combine the capabilities of Aerodata AG, as a certified Part 21 Design Organization, and LBAS, as a certified Part 145 Maintenance Organization, to respond even more effectively to international calls for tender.

"This cooperation is the logical next step after several successful joint modification projects in the past, including the conversion of two green Bombardier\* Global Express\* aircraft into a flight inspection configuration for a customer in Asia," says Hans J. Stahl, CEO of Aerodata. "The close proximity of our respective locations, with only about two hours of driving or half an hour flight time, enables us to communicate easily."

Andreas Kaden, Managing Director of LBAS, states: "Joining forces with Aerodata combines the strengths of our two organizations to create a very flexible service provision for any sort of avionics or structural modifications to Bombardier business aircraft, which will benefit our mutual customers." Depending on customer preference and project content, each of the two organizations can take the lead in a specific joint project.

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Aerodata AG, based in Brunswick, Germany, is a specialized company producing flight inspection systems, maritime surveillance systems, and specialized avionics. Aerodata also maintains and modifies turboprop and jet aircraft including Bombardier Global, Challenger, and Learjet aircraft, Dornier Do328s, Beechcraft King Airs and Cessna Citations. Aerodata group also provides flight inspections in Australia and Southeast Asia and was recently awarded a contract for the provision of a turn-key surveillance aircraft for the Armed Forces of Malta. By November 2009, Aerodata AG had delivered its 50th Flight Inspection System to a European customer.

#### **Lufthansa Bombardier Aviation Services GmbH:**

LBAS, based at Berlin-Schoenefeld airport in Germany, was formed in 1997 as a subsidiary of the Lufthansa Technik Group and of the Bombardier Aerospace Group. LBAS specializes in the maintenance, repair and overhaul of Bombardier Global, Challenger and Learjet business jets. The joint venture also includes the global business aircraft operator and service provider ExecuJet Aviation Group, headquartered in Switzerland, which joined LBAS in 2005.

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