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## SriLankan Airlines selects two Safran NacelleLife™ service solutions for its Airbus A320/A321neo and A330ceo nacelles

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Safran Nacelles has been selected by SriLankan Airlines for two long term agreements to provide asset management and unscheduled cover of the nacelles that equip the airline's Airbus A330ceo jetliner fleet powered by Rolls-Royce Trent 700 engines and Airbus A320/A321neo jetliner fleet powered by CFM\* LEAP-1A engines.

For the A330ceo nacelles, SriLankan Airlines will have access to the pool of the thrust reversers, manufactured by Safran Nacelles, and unscheduled cover repair services of the entire nacelle.

For the other agreement, dedicated to support the SriLankan Airlines's A320/A321neo nacelle fleet – manufactured by Safran Nacelles, the operator will have access to the pool of the air inlet and unscheduled cover repair services of the entire nacelle.

Both NacelleLife<sup>™</sup> services will be delivered from Dubai to make the Sri Lankan operator benefits from composites and structures repairs center of excellence of Aerostructures Middle East Services (AMES), based in Dubai's Jebel Ali Free Zone (JAFZA) along with OEM<sup>\*\*</sup> guaranteed Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) solutions.

AMES is a joint-venture MRO of Safran Nacelles and AFI KLM E&M, performing overhaul & services of structural equipment covering the region of Middle East, Gulf Arab states eastern Africa and Indian peninsula.

Chief Technical Officer Dag Jayasuriya states: "As our airline continues to grow rapidly, SriLankan is counting on the high availability of its fleet – and we are looking forward to the support Safran Nacelles will provide for our A320/A321neo and A330ceo family jetliners".

"We are very happy to be strengthening and expanding our existing services contractual relationship with SriLankan Airlines" said Olivier Savin, VP Customer Support and Services for Safran Nacelles. "SriLankan Airlines decision chosing Safran Nacelles to support long range and single aisle fleet is a full thrust of NacelleLife™ services program. Our NacelleLife™ offering combine world-class and innovative packages that take care of the operations of our customers fleet from pre-entry into service for an aircraft until it is withdrawn or returned to operation". During the MRO Middle East show, Safran Nacelles will be present at the AMES booth 1340, from 11 to 12 February, at the Dubai World Trade Centre in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

\* CFM is a 50/50 joint company between Safran Aircraft Engines and GE.

\*\* OEM: Original Equipment Manufacturer.

*Safran* is an international high-technology group, operating in the aircraft propulsion and equipment, space and defense markets. Safran has a global presence, with more than 91,000. Safran is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange, and is part of the CAC 40 and Euro Stoxx 50 indices.

*Safran Nacelles* is a world leader for aircraft nacelles, with over 20,800 devices in service, and over 125,000 flight hours per day. The company is active in all segments of the market, from regional jets and corporate aircraft to the largest airliners.

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*SriLankan Airlines*, the national carrier for Sri Lanka and a member of the oneworld alliance, is an award-winning airline with a firm reputation as a global leader in service, comfort, safety, reliability, and punctuality.

Launched in 1979, the airline's hub is located at Bandaranaike International Airport in Colombo providing convenient connections to its global network (including codeshare partners) of 111 destinations in 48 countries around the world. Its direct route map covers major cities across the Europe, Australia, Middle East, India, South East Asia and the Far East. The Airline operates an all Airbus fleet including a state-of-the-art A330-300 and modern A320/321neo fleet.

The Airlines' latest awards include, the World's Leading Airline to the Indian Ocean, Asia's Leading Airline to the Indian Ocean and Asia's Leading Marketing Campaign at World Travel Awards 2018.

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