Safran Helicopter Engines has signed a 7-year support contract with BAAINBw (Federal Office of Bundeswehr Equipment, Information Technology and In-Service Support) to support RTM322-powered NH90 operated by the German Army (Heer) and German Navy (Marine). This contract will support a total fleet of around 100 NH90 (82 TTH and 18 NTH).

Formerly supported by previous RTM322 program shareholder local subsidiary, engines operated by German Armed Forces are now fully supported by Safran Helicopter Engines. This contract will provide maintenance repair and overhaul (MRO) for this engine fleet. It will be managed by Safran Helicopter Germany.

BAAINBw representative, commented: "With this contract, German Army and Navy will benefit from a very effective engine-support for their RTM322 engines, especially during their operational tasks. This contract is the result of a very good and fruitful partnership between us and Safran Helicopter Engines" 

Franck Saudo, Safran Helicopter Engines EVP Support and Services, commented: "This contract represent a major milestone in RTM 322 support history and we are very proud of the confidence BAAINBw has placed in us."

Safran RTM322 is a 2,100 to 2,600 shaft horse-power engine designed for ten-to-fifteen ton helicopters. It powers NH Industries NH90 and Leonardo Helicopters EH101 Merlin, and British Apache. With 1,100 engines delivered, and 1.3 million flying hours already logged, the RTM 322 powers 80% of the world's fleet of NH90 helicopters and 60% of in-service EH101.
Safran is a leading international high-technology group with three core businesses: Aerospace, Defence and Security (ongoing divestiture of Security business). Operating worldwide, the Group has 66,500 employees (Security included) and generated sales of 15.8 billion euros in 2016 (excluding Security). Safran is listed on Euronext Paris and is part of the CAC40 index, as well as the Euro Stoxx 50 European index.

Safran Helicopter Engines is the world’s leading manufacturer of helicopter engines, with more than 72,000 produced since being founded. It offers the widest range of helicopter turboshafts in the world and has more than 2,500 customers in 155 countries.

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