

## Philippine Airlines extends support contract for 777 and A320 engines

**AFI KLM E&M met with PAL's new management in Manila at the end of May to celebrate the continuity of a longstanding cooperation.**

**Paris, Amstelveen, Manila, 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 2022** – Philippine Airlines (PAL) has signed an extension to its flight hour support contract with Air France Industries KLM Engineering & Maintenance for the GE90 engines powering its Boeing 777 fleet, as well for the CFM56-5B engines fitted on its Airbus A320 aircraft.

Following a successful restructuring process in 2021, the Philippine flag carrier has established a new fleet plan. AFI KLM E&M will support PAL with GE90 shop visits for as long as the 777 serves on the airline's fleet. Cooperation is also extended on the CFM56-5B engines for PAL's A320s serving domestic and regional routes.

### **Adaptiveness, in all weathers**

It is during storms that you know how to recognize your real partners, those who understand you best. As an Airline-MRO, AFI KLM E&M knows perfectly what are the operator's constraints and did its utmost to support Philippine Airlines. Throughout the pandemic, Philippine Airlines could rely on the Adaptiveness® mindset of AFI KLM E&M. During PAL's restructuring phase, AFI KLM E&M remained available and attentive as a service partner, in order to build the best response to the needs of the Philippine carrier. The signing of this engine contract extension builds on that positive relationship.

**Alvin Limqueco, SVP-Supply Chain Management at Philippine Airlines** said: *"We value the partnership we have with the AFI KLM E&M teams, who have been a loyal ally throughout the uncertainty of the last two years. PAL and AFI KLM E&M have kept strong communication lines during the pandemic, and we look forward to continuing our robust ties as they continue to support our fleet requirements in the future through this extended agreement"*.

**Pierre Teboul, SVP Commercial AFI KLM E&M**, added: *"We are pleased and proud to have found a long-term partner in PAL. Since the beginning of our cooperation on the GE90 engine, we have put all our expertise at their disposal and ensured continuity of service. We have come out of this period stronger and our relationship of trust has been consolidated"*.

### **About Philippine Airlines**

Philippine Airlines (PAL) is the Philippines' flag carrier and only full-service network airline. PAL was the first commercial airline in Asia and celebrated its 81st anniversary in March

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2022. PAL's young fleet of Boeing 777s, Airbus A350s, Airbus A330s, Airbus A321s/A320s and De Havilland DHC-8-400 Next Generation aircraft operate out of hubs in Manila and Cebu to 29 destinations in the Philippines and 31 destinations in Asia, North America, Australia, Europe and the Middle East. PAL was rated a 4-Star Global Airline by Skytrax in 2018 and was voted the World's Most Improved Airline in the 2019 Skytrax worldwide passenger survey with a ranking of 30th best airline in the world.

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### **About AFI KLM E&M**

Air France Industries KLM Engineering & Maintenance is a major multi-product MRO (Maintenance, Repair, Overhaul) provider. With a workforce of over 12,800, AFI KLM E&M offers comprehensive technical support for airlines, ranging from engineering and line maintenance to engine overhaul, aero structure and fan thrust reverser support, as well as the management, repair and supply of aircraft components, structured around a powerful logistics network. AFI KLM E&M supports almost 3,000 aircraft operated by 200 major international and domestic airlines.

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