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Cobham Selected by Embraer Defense and Security to Supply the Aerial Refuelling Receiver Probe for the KC 390 Tanker Aircraft

WIMBORNE, United Kingdom – Cobham has been selected by Embraer Defense and Security to design and supply the aerial refuelling probe for the KC-390 Tactical Military Transport and Tanker Aircraft. This selection follows Embraer's recently announced contract award to Cobham for the development and supply of the KC-390 wing-mounted aerial refuelling pods.

Cobham's contract with Embraer for the aerial refuelling probe will cover design and supply activities in support of the KC 390 development programme, as well options for the supply of the equipment to the production aircraft. Cobham's robust yet light weight fixed probe solution ideally matches the high fuel rate delivery demands of the KC-390.



Commenting on the announcement, Cobham Mission Equipment's Vice President Iain Gibson said, "We are delighted to have been selected, and we are confident that Embraer, the Brazilian Air Force, the KC-390 program and future export customers of the aircraft will benefit from Cobham's extensive expertise at meeting aerial refuelling operational needs. Cobham is strongly committed to the KC-390 programme, and we are looking forward to participating with Embraer in its future success"

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range of technologies and services, the Group protects lives and livelihoods, responding to customer needs with agility that differentiates it. The most important thing we build is trust. Employing more than 10,000 people on five continents, the Group has customers and partners in over 100 countries.

About Cobham Mission Equipment

Cobham Mission Equipment is a systems integration business that has been providing innovative solutions to its customers for over 75 years. The business is the market leader for air-to-air refuelling (AAR), providing fifth generation 'nose to tail' solutions from the cockpit of the donor aircraft, to the tail of the receiver platform. More than 1,000 systems have been delivered for buddy-buddy refuelling, tactical and strategic tanking for fixed wing aircraft and helicopters, with Unmanned Air vehicle refuelling development well advanced.

The 'nose to tail' AAR capability is complemented by a comprehensive 'wingtip to wingtip' offering covering a range of weapons carriage and release equipment, including missile launchers, cryogenic cooling for missile seekers, pneumatic missile fin actuation and wing store carriers, bomb ejection, defensive aids, chaff and flare systems.

Mission Equipment is also a systems solution provider in the field of Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) robot technology, providing a range of unmanned ground systems and robots serving international homeland security and military markets, with more than 700 systems delivered to 55 countries.

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