AFI KLM E&M Beefs Up Kuala Lumpur Logistics

1 December opening of a Components logistics service center delivering improved support services for clients throughout the region.

Paris, Amstelveen, 1 December 2016 – AFI KLM E&M today inaugurated its new Kuala Lumpur Materials and Logistics Service Center. The facility is designed to better serve the MRO’s client airlines throughout the region. A first warehouse had been deployed in 2011 as part of the Boeing Next-Generation 737 component service agreement between AFI KLM E&M and Malaysia Airlines. As of 2013 the center was gradually taking care of additional customers. The new logistic service center works in close coordination with the Singapore logistic center as well as our local Component facilities in Shanghai and Mumbai. It beefs up the Group’s logistics capabilities in the Asia-Pacific region and will become one of the decentralized logistic centers of AFI KLM E&M to service customers with all aircraft types for which AFI KLM E&M provides component services, including 737, 787 and A320, A330, A350 and A380.

Doorstep service and lower costs
The new logistic service center is first and foremost a logistics facility and as such will serve as a local spares pool to fast-track the supply of replacement parts. It will also act as a client interface, and its staff will, as a result, be able to deliver rapid solutions to the needs of client airlines. Through its strategic positioning at the heart of the Asia-Pacific region it provides real 24/7 worldwide coverage, which will help deliver ever-more effective component support for AFI KLM E&M clients, with optimized parts storage, logistic and repair costs.

Driving regional growth
Ton Dortmans, EVP KLM E&M, who attended the 1 December opening ceremony, said: “The launch of this new logistic service center is a major milestone in our strategy to develop a high-performance global MRO network. The Asia-Pacific aviation industry is seeing strong growth and with our new logistic service center we will be able to support and help drive that growth by meeting our clients’ aircraft maintenance requirements at the same time as, we hope, we attract new partners, who will be won over by this promise of doorstep service and responsive, competitively-price support!”

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 14,000, 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 1,500 aircraft operated by 200 major international and domestic airlines.

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