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Vallair signs MOU with Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority to provide enhanced aeronautical training, aircraft maintenance, aircraft recycling, and workforce development

Luxembourg/Cameroon/Farnborough(UK), July 18th 2024: [Vallair](#), the multi-disciplinary MRO and mature aircraft asset specialist, and the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority (CCAA) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to cooperate in fields of aeronautical training, aircraft maintenance, aircraft disassembly, and workforce training & development. The agreement has identified the global requirement for qualified airworthiness, maintenance and teardown personnel, and consider the economic opportunities at secondary airports in Cameroon to establish these activities.

Grégoire Lebigot, President of Vallair Group, comments: “CCAA has a world-class training facility for the development of skills and it is accredited by ICAO, ACI and IATA. We have come together to combine Vallair’s worldwide reputation for aircraft maintenance and disassembly that maximises the life and value of aircraft, engines and components. Together we will impart knowledge and embark upon a far-reaching and innovative programme that will also see Vallair’s expertise being replicated in Cameroon.”

“The CCAA operates several domestic airports which provide a fertile ground for establishing economically beneficial and sustainable aircraft maintenance and disassembly operations. This partnership is an important opportunity to jointly study and implement a range of skills development activities,” says Mrs Paule Avomo Assoumou epse Koki, Director General of CCAA.

In addition, Vallair will be welcoming two students from Cameroon in September who are both studying to achieve a Diploma in Aircraft Maintenance & Recycling (CAMRA). These students have already graduated and will continue their advanced training at Vallair. The CAMRA diploma is the result of a partnership between the CCAA, via its training school, and the University of Yaoundé 1, via the National Advanced School of Engineering. It is designed to meet the aviation industry and authorities’ need for high-level aviation managers responsible for aircraft maintenance, continuing airworthiness management, and the management of end-of-life aircraft in compliance with safety & environmental protection standards and recommended practices. More students are expected to follow in their footsteps.

Furthermore, the agreement includes provisions for bilateral student exchanges and collaborative training programmes between Vallair’s Aircraft Academy and CCAA’s training facilities. This initiative aims to foster cross-cultural learning and ensure the development of a globally competent workforce in the aviation sector.

Vallair is an aviation company with facilities in Luxembourg, Châteauroux and Montpellier in France. It provides integrated support for mature aircraft, engines, and major components. Seven complementary business units are founded upon engineering excellence: trading & leasing, cargo conversions, aircraft MRO, engines, aerostructures & painting, material management and aircraft disassembly. These offer aircraft operators and owners worldwide cost-effective solutions to extend the life of their assets or dispose of them in an economically beneficial and environmentally acceptable way. Vallair is a leading player in the cargo conversion, trading, and leasing of narrowbody, widebody and regional aircraft. To learn more visit www.vallair.aero



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The **Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority (CCAA)** is the technical arm of the Government of Cameroon for civil aviation matters. It is responsible inter alia for security and safety coordination, airport development planning and preparation, revision and contribution to the implementation of the civil aviation development plan in Cameroon. To address local and international challenges regarding the shortage of qualified personnel, the CCAA established its Training School (EFO CCAA, www.efo-ccaa.cm) which offers a wide range of short-term and long-term courses in aviation safety and safety management, aviation security, air transport management, training competency development, environmental protection, aviation law and aviation management. To learn more visit www.ccaa.aero