

## PRESS RELEASE

**NHIndustries and NAHEMA extend the NH90 Operational Support contract to include the Belgium fleet and procure additional services**

**Paris, 17th June 2025** - NHIndustries is pleased to announce the signing of an amendment to the innovative NH90 Operational Support (NOS) contract with the NATO agency NAHEMA, acting as the contracting authority on behalf of the Direction Générale de l'Armement (the French Armament General Directorate) and the Direction de la maintenance aéronautique (the French Aeronautics Support Directory) for the French Ministry for the armed forces, the BAAINBw for the German Ministry of Defense and Belgium Ministry of Defense. This contract amendment will extend the success of the performance-based contract NOS, signed in 2022, to the Belgian Armed forces, to include coverage for the new Sea Tiger variant for Germany and also covering additional services for France.

The performance-based NOS contract foresees nations delegating a major part of their logistics and maintenance activity to industry, enabling them to focus on their operations. The agreement was also designed in a way that allows flexibility for additional nations to join at any time.

"NHIndustries is fully committed to ensuring customer satisfaction, and the contents of this agreement have been carefully crafted in order to provide the French and German Armed Forces with the right set of services for improving NH90 operability, affordability and serviceability. We are also very pleased to welcome Belgium in this new setup and extend our commitment of services to this longstanding partner. This new support contract will also strengthen our current relationship with our partner NAHEMA" says Axel Alocchio, President of NHIndustries. "The contract includes support of the customers' continuing airworthiness management organizations and their parts, and establishes an improved approach for supply chain management for spare parts and component MRO."

"This agreement, made up of a harmonized set of services that cover the operational needs of several helicopter variants, marks a phase of the dynamic engagement between NHIndustries and NAHEMA. This set of services is now extended to Belgium. The fact of Belgium joining is a clear step to further align Nations in this challenging field of integrated logistics in the NH90 programme." says Mr. Michael Kohlhaas, General Manager of NAHEMA. "We are confident that the Belgium Armed Forces will benefit in terms of improvement of the effectiveness of its NH90 fleet."

Through the contract, NHIndustries takes full responsibility for ensuring the continuous flow of airworthy parts to France, Germany and Belgium through a flight-hour-based service. It will manage the inventories of the nations, while also allocating resources to ensure that scheduled inspections and maintenance run seamlessly.

Additionally, the contract includes a variety of catalogue services that can be activated as required by the entire community or by individual nations, thus allowing maximum flexibility.

The agreement covers five years of support with two optional extensions of five years each, for a total duration of 15 years. It will serve up to 100 NH90s in France and up to 131 NH90s in Germany and 8 NH90s in Belgium.

The NH90 military helicopter is a modern, multi-role rotorcraft designed to meet the most stringent NATO standards. Developed in two versions – tactical transport (TTH) and NATO frigate helicopter (NFH) – the NH90 contains a unique, fully integrated mission system for operations in the most demanding conditions over land and sea, day and night. It is being operated by twelve nations (France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Finland, Greece, New Zealand, Oman, Qatar, Spain and Sweden).





### About NHIndustries

*NHIndustries is the largest rotorcraft Joint Venture in European history and it is responsible for the design, manufacturing, and support of the NH90 helicopter, one of the leaders in the latest generation of military helicopters. The company takes the best from European rotorcraft and Defence Industry through its ownership comprising Airbus Helicopters (62.5%), Leonardo (32%) and GKN Fokker (5.5%). Each company has an extensive aerospace pedigree and brings the top of its skills and expertise to the product.*