

Airbus and Armenia sign for six H145 helicopters

Donauwörth, Germany, 18 June 2026 - Airbus Helicopters and the Republic of Armenia have signed a contract for the acquisition of six H145 helicopters. The agreement, which was finalised during the official state visit of French President Emmanuel Macron to Yerevan, recently entered into force, marking a significant milestone in the strengthening of bilateral ties between France and Armenia.

The multi-purpose H145 helicopters will be utilised for transport missions. This acquisition represents Armenia's first-ever contract with Airbus Helicopters, signaling a modernisation of the country's rotorcraft capabilities with one of the most versatile and reliable platforms in its class.

"It is a great honour to officially welcome the Republic of Armenia to the Airbus Helicopters family. This first contract is a testament to the growing partnership between our company and Armenia, and we are proud to support the nation in modernising its aerial capabilities," said Ludovic Boistot, Vice President, Head of Eastern Europe, Central Asia, Caucasus. "The H145 is a proven workhorse that will provide the Armenian authorities with the flexibility and reliability needed for their most demanding transport mission requirements. We look forward to a long-lasting and fruitful collaboration as we develop our partnership in the coming years," he added.

The H145 is renowned for its high performance, particularly in high-altitude and hot environments, making it an ideal fit for Armenia's diverse and mountainous geography. The five-bladed version of the H145 provides increased payload, a smoother flight experience, and a simplified maintenance regime.

In total, there are more than 1,800 H145 family helicopters in service, logging a total of more than 8.5 million flight hours. Powered by two Safran Arriel 2E engines, the H145 is equipped with a full authority digital engine control (FADEC) and the Helionix digital avionics suite. It includes a high performance 4-axis autopilot, increasing safety and reducing pilot workload. Its particularly low acoustic footprint makes the H145 the quietest helicopter in its class, while its CO2 emissions are the lowest amongst its competitors.

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