

PRESS RELEASE

DONALDSON SELECTS GLOBAL AVIATION SERVICES TO ENHANCE CUSTOMER SUPPORT IN THE MIDDLE EAST

LAS VEGAS, NV – March 6, 2013: Donaldson Aerospace & Defense has entered into a strategic alliance with Bahrain-based Global Aviation Services to strengthen support for its customers operating military, government, commercial and private helicopters in key Middle East markets.

Donaldson Aerospace & Defense, a division of Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE: DCI), has named Global Aviation Services (GAS) as its representative and distributor for customers in Bahrain, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. Donaldson customers in those countries include operators of Sikorsky Aircraft H-60 BLACK HAWKS, AgustaWestland AW109s and AW139s and Bell Helicopter 407s and 205s/UH-1Hs, as well as Eurocopter AS350s and MD Helicopters MD500s.

Under their alliance, GAS' team of dedicated multilingual, aviation specialists will provide around-the-clock sales and full life-cycle support of all Donaldson Aerospace & Defense military and commercial products in the five countries. The GAS team will help ensure that customers in those countries get the most benefit from Donaldson's advanced filtration solutions, such as its Inlet Barrier Filter systems to protect helicopter powerplants. GAS' resources include a bonded-status distribution depot at the Bahrain International Airport Free Zone.

"Our military, commercial and civil customers in the Middle East perform missions with their helicopters that are vital to the security and economy of the region and the world," said Eric Erickson, General Manager of Donaldson Aerospace & Defense in St. Louis. "With its local knowledge

and presence in the region, Global Aviation Services will help ensure that Donaldson customers continue to receive the best support in the shortest possible time.”

“This strategic alliance will shorten the supply chain for Donaldson’s customers, allowing them to benefit from both time and cost savings,” said John Smith, CEO of GAS. “We look forward to working with Donaldson in supporting those customers and strengthening the aviation industry in this important region.”

Donaldson will be briefing customers and suppliers on the strategic alliance with GAS as part of its exhibit at Booth N6001 during Heli-Expo 2013, being held March 4-7, 2013 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. The exhibit halls open on March 5; Donaldson’s booth is in the Convention Center’s North Hall.

To learn more about the Donaldson Aerospace & Defense group, visit www.DonaldsonAerospace-Defense.com.

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Note to Editor:

About Donaldson’s aerospace & Defense Group

Donaldson Aerospace & Defense is a leading worldwide provider of filtration systems for the aerospace and defense industry. Our filtration solutions protect fixed wing aircraft, rotorcraft, military ground vehicles, electronic equipment, space vehicles, missiles, military shipboard systems, and amphibious vehicles. We are committed to advancing filtration technology, providing quality products and prompt customer service. Our group serves customers from sales, engineering, and manufacturing locations around the world. To learn more about the Donaldson Aerospace & Defense group, visit www.DonaldsonAerospace-Defense.com.

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About Donaldson Company

Donaldson is a leading worldwide provider of filtration systems that improve people's lives, enhance our Customers' equipment performance, and protect our environment. We are a technology-driven Company committed to satisfying our Customers' needs for filtration solutions through innovative research and development, application expertise, and global presence. Our over 12,800 employees contribute to the Company's success by supporting our Customers at our more than 100 sales, manufacturing, and distribution locations around the world.

About Global Aviation Services Co. W.L.L

Global Aviation Services (GAS) is a privately owned company based in the Kingdom of Bahrain. GAS specializes in the supply and distribution of a wide range of aircraft and interior parts as well as components to the commercial aviation industry and for military and defense aircraft systems. As a supply chain solution provider, we offer total aircraft system sustainment solutions by combining our global network of world-class partners with products and services to add value to our customers business.

We provide our valued customers with professional and effective solutions of assured material availability and competent service, thereby reducing their total cost of inventory ownership while contributing to their increased fleet efficiency and overall operational readiness. Our regional inventory constantly evolves and includes, but is not limited to, hardware and consumables, chemicals, lubricants, rotables and accessories. We at Global Aviation Services, view ourselves as "Your Link in Supply Chain Management."

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