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## Avmax Group Takes Delivery of Two Viking Series 400 Twin Otters for Operation in the Republic of Chad

**Calgary, Alberta, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019:** At a company ceremony held today, Avmax Group of Calgary, Alberta took delivery of two new Viking Series 400 Twin Otters configured for corporate shuttle operations in support of oil and gas operations in the Republic of Chad. With delivery of these two Series 400 aircraft, Avmax Group becomes the first operator of the Viking Twin Otter in the West African country.

To support their new Series 400 operations, Avmax flight crew(s) will receive initial type training at Viking’s Calgary, Alberta training facility, where they will become familiarized with the Honeywell Primus Apex® integrated digital avionics suite and autopilot operations in the Series 400 Level “D” Full-Flight Simulator. Initial Maintenance type training course(s) will also be provided to the Avmax technical team.

Avmax selected the Series 400 based on their extensive legacy de Havilland Twin Otter experience and confidence that the Twin Otter is the only aircraft capable of reliably operating in the extreme environments and limited access restrictions of the contract locations.

“This multi-million-dollar deal is an excellent example of two Western Canadian companies reaching globally to strengthen aviation. This deal was possible due to Avmax’s strong collaborative relationships with companies both local and worldwide, including China and Chad,” said Mark Maydaniuk, Chief Executive Officer, Avmax. “Aviation continues to thrive globally, with Western Canada being a market leader.”

Robert Mauracher, Viking executive vice president Sales & Marketing, added, “Today, more and more operators around the world are recognizing the unique capabilities and versatility of the Series 400 Twin Otter. I am extremely pleased that a world-class Canadian company like Avmax, with their extensive aircraft portfolio and operational expertise, has selected the Twin Otter for their operational needs.”

### About Avmax Group:

The Avmax Group Inc. (“Avmax”) vision is to simplify customers’ aviation needs through dependable, globally integrated services with trusted results. Established in 1976, Avmax locations include Calgary (HQ), Vancouver and Winnipeg (Canada), Great Falls and Jacksonville (USA), Nairobi (Kenya) and N’Djamena (Chad). Avmax offers aircraft leasing, airline operations, avionics, component repairs, engineering, MRO, paint and spares. Avmax’s engineering division is a Transport Canada authorized Design Approval Organization (DAO). Avmax’s maintenance divisions are TCCA, FAA, and EASA authorized Maintenance Repair Organizations (MRO). Powering Simplicity in Aviation, contact [www.Avmax.com](http://www.Avmax.com) for more information.

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VIKING is the manufacturer of the Twin Otter Series 400 aircraft, and provides complete support for the de Havilland legacy fleet.



**About Viking Air Limited:**

Headquartered in Victoria, BC, Viking is the global leader in utility aircraft services, and the manufacturer of the world-renowned Series 400 Twin Otter. Viking is the Original Type Certificate holder for all out-of-production de Havilland aircraft, DHC-1 through the DHC-7, and provides exclusive spare parts manufacturing and product support for the legacy de Havilland fleet. In 2007 Viking launched the Twin Otter Series 400 production program, and to date new Viking aircraft have sold to over 33 countries worldwide. In 2016, Viking acquired the Type Certificates (manufacturing rights) for the Canadair CL-215, CL-215T, and CL-415 aircraft. With this transfer, Viking assumed responsibility for all product support for the global fleet of 170 aerial firefighters.

Viking is managed by Longview Aviation Capital Corp. (LAC), established in 2016 to manage a portfolio of long-term investments in the Canadian aerospace industry. LAC includes the assets of Viking Air Ltd.; De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Limited, owner of the entire Dash 8 program including the 100, 200, and 300 Series and the in-production 400 program; Pacific Sky Aviation Inc.; Longview Aviation Asset Management Inc.; and Longview Aviation Services.

Longview, through its subsidiaries, holds the Type Certificates for the entire product line of original De Havilland Canada aircraft company. Longview has a workforce of approximately 1,800 full-time employees in manufacturing and aircraft service support in locations across Canada, including Victoria, Calgary, and Toronto. For additional information, please visit [www.vikingair.com](http://www.vikingair.com) or [www.lvav.ca](http://www.lvav.ca).

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