

IDAG Acquires Alabama-based Blackhawk Company Ace Aeronautics

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International Defense & Aerospace Group (“IDAG”), a leading provider of global aviation solutions, announced today that it has acquired Ace Aeronautics, LLC (“Ace”) based in Guntersville, Alabama.

Ace is known for providing Service Life Extension & Upgrades for UH-60 Blackhawks to global customers, including the Austrian Air Force. Ace Aeronautics is a holder of FAA Restricted Category Type Certificate R00005RC to enable UH-60 Black Hawk civilian operation and multiple STC’s including VL-60 full glass cockpit retrofit for UH-60.

“Ace is a world-class refurbished Blackhawk provider whose operations complement IDAG’s portfolio perfectly,” said Bob Caldwell, founder of IDAG. “IDAG now has a vertically integrated supply chain, at a time when the global aviation market—particularly in Europe—needs cost-effective options to replace obsolescing Russian-made helicopters.”

Ace is the latest addition into the IDAG Group of companies which includes U.S. Aviation Training Solutions (formerly Bristow Academy), a helicopter and fixed-wing flight school based in Titusville, Florida, and several European subsidiaries.

About IDAG

IDAG provides effective aerospace and defense solutions for global customers operating in challenging environments. The company’s core competencies include platform sales, maintenance & operations, training, and solutions consulting. IDAG has trained military and civilian pilots from dozens of countries. The group operates FAA, MAA and EASA-certified flight training and maintenance facilities worldwide. IDAG is also an official sales representative for MD Helicopters in multiple geographies. To learn more about IDAG visit www.idagcorp.com

About ACE Aeronautics

Ace Aeronautics (Ace) is a premier design organization and MRO facility holding FAA part manufacturing approval for a variety of helicopter platforms. Ace Aeronautics provides innovative and long-term avionics and airframe



solutions to commercial and government customers. Ace offers commercial and military off-the-shelf (COTS/MOTS) products for fixed and rotary wing aircraft that provide state-of-the-art system solutions to resolve avionics obsolescence and capability gaps. Ace's commercially developed and qualified business model provides customers a low-risk, cost-effective option to upgrading their existing fleets or introducing new aircraft into operation. To learn more about Ace Aeronautic visit www.aceaero.com

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