

ATAC MEMBERS ENTER TRAINING PARTNERSHIP!

ATAC members Ottawa Aviation Services (OAS) and National Helicopters Inc. are pleased to announce that they have entered into an exciting and innovative partnership to offer helicopter training to groups of Chinese students. Our companies expect to host hundreds of Chinese helicopter students over the next 3 years.



Twenty Chinese students arrived in mid-July for preparatory classes, and official flight training is expected to start sometime in mid-September, depending on regulatory approval. OAS Photo

“National Helicopters and Ottawa Aviation Services won this contract against other cheaper international bids despite regulatory and economics headwinds. At the end quality of flight training was the deciding factor” said Cedric Paillard, CEO of Ottawa Aviation Services.

OAS will be managing the entire project including offering Aviation English and ground schools as required, and National Helicopters will provide the flight training component. The first intake of 20 Chinese students has already arrived and has started commercial ground school. National Helicopters will be offering the training out of the Cornwall airport

What makes this project even more exciting is that OAS has also entered into an agreement with the NAV CENTRE in Cornwall to host this group of students and their other domestic and international students in OAS’s integrated and other training programs. The NAV CENTRE is the largest facility of its kind in Eastern Ontario, offering world-class education facilities and technology, air traffic control simulation capabilities, accommodation and recreational facilities. At this location OAS will be able to offer domestic and international students an

exceptional flight training and life experience in Cornwall and in Canada.

“We are very pleased to have entered into this agreement with the NAV CANADA and National Helicopter,” said Cedric Paillard, CEO, Ottawa Aviation Services. “We are working together to establish a campus in Cornwall that will support the training of hundreds of domestic and international students.”

Added Paillard, “We look forward to working with NAV CANADA, the NAV CENTRE, the City of Cornwall and surrounding communities to place the Cornwall area on the map of professional pilot training destinations.”

“National Helicopters Inc. is very excited to partner with our ATAC associates, Ottawa Aviation Services”, said Dan Munro, President, National Helicopters Inc. “This is a strategic partnership with the Cornwall Nav Centre, which brings two of eastern Canada’s foremost flight training schools together. The quality of flight training at our respective schools has been recognized on the World flight training stage”.

“We are excited about this opportunity with OAS to establish world-class pilot training programs at the NAV CENTRE,” said Kim Coe-Turner, General Manager, NAV CENTRE.” It is a perfect fit for NAV CENTRE and augments what NAV CANADA offers internationally”.



The Nav Centre is the largest facility of its kind in Eastern Ontario. Nav Canada Photo

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