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Dassault Falcon Service Completes Eight Day Cargo Conversion of a Falcon 900B

Saint-Cloud, France, June 2, 2020 – Dassault Falcon Service (DFS), a Dassault Aviation subsidiary based in Paris-Le Bourget, recently completed the conversion of a Falcon 900B from passenger configuration to full cargo in record time.

The conversion, involving a company-owned aircraft, took eight days from reception of the order to approval by French Civil Aviation authorities, granted under a fast-track exemption. The project entailed stripping passenger seats and furnishings and installing equipment to stow and secure freight. No major modifications to access doors or other systems were undertaken and the conversion is readily reversible back to passenger configuration.

The modification involved customer service, engineering and operating teams from DFS as well as test and certification resources from Dassault Aviation.

The aircraft is being used to transport fabric needed for the production of face masks to a plant in Eastern Europe and to return completed masks for distribution in France, North Africa and other areas stricken by the Covid-19 pandemic or recovering from the coronavirus lockdown. Flying these materials in a converted business jet is considerably faster and provides greater flexibility than commercial airfreight or ground transport. Capacity is 13.5 cubic meters or 6,325 lbs (2,884 kg).

DFS specializes in the maintenance, repair and overhaul, refurbishment and modification of Falcon aircraft and on-demand charter activities.

ABOUT DASSAULT AVIATION:

Dassault Aviation is a leading aerospace company with a presence in over 90 countries across five continents. It produces the Rafale fighter jet as well as the complete line of Falcons. The company employs a workforce of over 12,500 and has assembly and production plants in both France and the United States and service facilities around the globe. Since the rollout of the first Falcon 20 in 1963, over 2,500 Falcon jets have been delivered. Dassault offers a range of six business jets from the twin-engine 3,350 nm large-cabin Falcon 2000S to its flagship, the tri-engine 6,450 nm ultra-long range Falcon 8X and the new ultra widebody cabin Falcon 6X.

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