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## **Cobham's HELISAS Granted FAA Type Certification for AS350**

MINERAL WELLS, Texas - HeliSAS, Cobham's Autopilot and Stability Augmentation System, has been granted Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) status by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on the Eurocopter AS350 model series and EC130 helicopters. Earlier this year, HeliSAS was STC'd on the Bell 206B, 206L, and 407 models.

HeliSAS sets a new standard in helicopter safety by reducing pilot workload and increasing aircraft stability. The two-axis system provides precise control during all modes of flight, regardless of wind conditions or shifts in weight, and is designed to be engaged at all times: "on" before takeoff and "off" after landing. If the helicopter is inadvertently flown to an extreme attitude, simply releasing the cyclic while HeliSAS is engaged will automatically return the helicopter to a near-level attitude. At a fraction of the cost and weight, HeliSAS also provides the robust autopilot functions once reserved for military or large commercial helicopter autopilot systems.

HeliSAS will be offered in the United States by authorized dealerships. DAC International is Cobham's distributor for sales in Australia, Europe, New Zealand, and South America.

Find an authorized dealership and learn more about HeliSAS at [www.cobham.com/helisas](http://www.cobham.com/helisas)

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### **About Cobham:**

Cobham's products and services have been at the heart of sophisticated military and civil systems for more than 75 years, keeping people safe, improving communications, and enhancing the capability of land, sea, air and space platforms. The Company has three divisions employing more than 11,000 people on five continents, with customers and partners in over 100 countries and annual revenue of some £1.9bn / US\$3 billion.

## **About Cobham Commercial Systems:**

Cobham Commercial Systems is a leading provider of integrated avionics systems, emergency locator systems and radar and missile electronics for military and civil customers. Cobham's avionics systems can be offered individually or integrated to provide an entire cockpit. Its synthetic vision Electronic Flight Instrument System (EFIS) revolutionised safety in low-level flight operations and is now approved on more than 700 aircraft and helicopter models. Cobham's new Helicopter Stability Augmentation System (HeliSAS) adds to its extensive range of fixed wing auto-pilot solutions and brings added safety within the reach of a host of operators for whom such systems were previously too expensive and heavy.

Cobham Commercial Systems is also an acknowledged expert in Emergency Locator Transmitter and Personal Locator Beacon technologies, from personal units to Original Equipment Manufacturer mounted systems on airliners and helicopters. Its radar and missile RF front end electronics are part of many radars, missiles, and space and commercial radar systems as well as leading edge Active Electronically Scanned Array (AESA) solutions.

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