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## **Cobham Successfully Trials the Worlds Most Advanced Air Refuelling System**

WIMBORNE, United Kingdom – Cobham has achieved a significant aerial refuelling milestone with the successful trail and rewind flight trials of the Company's fourth generation refuelling system, followed by the system's first dry contacts with a receiver aircraft.

A news release with greater detail was issued by EADS on June 1, 2009, available here:  
[http://www.eads.com/1024/en/pressdb/pressdb/20090601\\_airbus\\_military\\_a330mrtt\\_dry\\_contact.html](http://www.eads.com/1024/en/pressdb/pressdb/20090601_airbus_military_a330mrtt_dry_contact.html)

Cobham's 905E aerial refuelling pod is based on the highly successful 900 series electronic pods that have also been selected for the UK Ministry of Defence Future Strategic Tanker Aircraft (FSTA) programme, and for Saudi Arabian and United Arab Emirates Air Force A330 MRTT platforms. The 905E incorporates a range of technological enhancements providing lower weight, higher performance and reduced lifecycle costs.

### **Notes to Editors**

#### **About Cobham:**

Cobham's products and services have been at the heart of sophisticated military and civil systems for more than 70 years, keeping people safe, improving communications, and enhancing the capability of land, sea, air and space platforms. The Company has four divisions employing more than 12,000 people on five continents, with customers and partners in over 100 countries and annual revenue of more than £1.4bn / \$2.1 billion.

Cobham Mission Equipment is the world market leader for Air to Air Refuelling, providing fourth generation 'nose to tail' solutions from the cockpit of the donor aircraft to the tail of the receiver platform. To date, more than 1,000 systems have been delivered for buddy-buddy refuelling and for tactical and strategic tanking for fixed and rotary wing aircraft, with expertise now extended into the development of autonomous UAV to UAV refuelling.

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