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## MTU Aero Engines wins follow-up order for T64 helicopter engine

Munich - MTU Aero Engines will be retrofitting 40 T64 engines powering the German armed forces' CH-53 helicopters. Worth some 20 million euros, the recently concluded deal follows up on a 2003 agreement MTU has with the services to retrofit 46 T64-7 engines to the -100 standard. The first tranche is nearing completion. A third one is scheduled: The follow-up order for the optimization of another 40 engines is slated in 2007 or 2008.

Dr. Stefan Weingartner, who heads defence programmes at MTU Aero Engines, explained: "The considerably updated version of the old trusted T64 enables the German armed forces to deploy their helicopters also in difficult climates and geographic regions without performance penalties."

MTU Aero Engines is Germany's leading engine manufacturer and one of the big players in the industry. It operates affiliates worldwide. In fiscal 2004, it had some 7,400 employees and roughly 2 billion euros in sales. In the military arena, MTU is the industrial lead company for practically all engines flown by the German armed forces. Technologically a leader, the company excels in low-pressure turbines and high-pressure compressors and repair techniques. The company is the world's largest independent provider of engine services.

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