

Press Release

“EASP AIR Acquired by Sierra International Holdings, Accelerating European Special Mission Aviation Growth”

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- **EASP AIR** joins **Sierra International Holdings**, LLC, unlocking access to expanded resources, new markets, and a broader international defence and aerospace portfolio
- Acquisition supports EASP AIR's continued growth **as a leading European Maritime Patrol Aircraft operator**, with full continuity across FRONTEX contracts and current operations
- Managing Director **Pieter Voeten** to lead EASP AIR through transition, preserving the expertise and culture that have defined the company's success

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (29 Aug. 2026) - EASP AIR, a Netherlands-based specialist in Maritime Patrol Aircraft (MPA) operations, today announced it has been acquired by Sierra International Holdings (SIH), a diversified defence and aerospace group. The acquisition positions EASP AIR for its next phase of growth, expanding the company's capabilities and reach while preserving full operational continuity.

"EASP AIR has built a strong and trusted position in European Special Mission Aviation, and we are entering this next chapter from a position of strength," said Pieter Voeten, Managing Director, EASP AIR. *"Sierra International Holding and its diverse portfolio brings resources and international reach that allow EASP AIR to pursue new opportunities and accelerated growth in expanded markets. This is the right partnership, at the right time, to take EASP AIR further."*

Since its founding, EASP AIR has established itself as one of Europe's premier Special Mission Aviation providers, having been selected for all four FRONTEX Framework Tenders since the programmes inception and is currently part of the competition for the fifth framework tender.

Operating Dornier 328 Special Mission Aircraft from Amsterdam Airport Schiphol, EASP AIR delivers expert aerial maritime surveillance across European waters in support of border security and migration monitoring operations.

EASP AIR will retain its identity, leadership, and operational independence while gaining access to a broader network, resources, and international market reach across the SIH family of companies and SIH's US affiliates, including Sierra Nevada Company and Sierra Space Company.

Pieter Voeten will continue as Managing Director through the end of 2026, ensuring stability for clients, partners, and personnel throughout the transition.

About EASP AIR

EASP AIR is a provider of special aerial mission support, offering services in Maritime Patrol, ISR surveillance, Search and Rescue (SAR), and aerial support to firefighting operations.

The company's headquarters is located at Schiphol International Airport. UK operations are managed by its subsidiary, EASP AIR UK Ltd. In 2027, a newbuilt hangar and office facility will be opened at Ostend Airport (BE).

Missions are conducted using a proprietary fleet of long-range, long-endurance DORNIER DO328-100 Special Mission Aircraft, equipped with advanced sensors and SATCOM systems.

Since 2017, EASP AIR has been a trusted partner of the European Commission's FRONTEX agency, supporting aerial surveillance and SAR operations across Europe. The company also provides maritime patrol training to international partners, including the Indonesian Air Force, and commenced operations for the Republic of Malta in early 2025.

EASP AIR enhances operational efficiency through its cloud-based I-COP® C3/SA Mission Tool, enabling integrated and autonomous mission execution. The company also operates a dedicated air charter division, AERPONTO, offering Special Mission Charter Support, MEDEVAC, VIP airlift, and extraction services across Europe.

All operations are conducted under EASA PART-SPO regulations and standard AOC frameworks.

EASP AIR is committed to advancing safety, operational excellence, and environmental responsibility in Special Mission Aircraft (SMA) operations.

With a focus on innovation, quality, and international collaboration, the company aims to become Europe's leading provider of SMA services, delivering uncompromising safety standards and exceptional service to its customers and partners. www.easpair.aero

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