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Textron Aviation receives order for 20 Cessna Skyhawk aircraft to promote the growing need for pilot training in China



WICHITA, Kan. (October 4, 2021) — Textron Aviation today announced that Sichuan Longhao Flight Training Co., Ltd. (Longhao Flight Training School) in China, has signed a purchase agreement for 20 Cessna Skyhawk piston aircraft. The aircraft, which are expected to be delivered throughout 2022, will be utilized for primary pilot training in southwest and central China, further expanding and enhancing Longhoa's training efforts. China continues to experience a growing number of licensed pilots in recent years following the General Office of the State Council's efforts to accelerate the training and development of pilots.

The Cessna Skyhawk is designed and manufactured by Textron Aviation Inc., a Textron Inc. (NYSE:TXT) company.

"With a long-standing relationship with Longhao, this order demonstrates its support and confidence in Textron Aviation and our products," said Mike Shih, vice president of Sales and Strategy in China, Textron Aviation. "We are pleased to be part of the efforts in China to cultivate new generations of pilots and promote the common development of aviation under the current 14th Five-Year Plan. Flight schools in the region continue to leverage the unique strengths and capabilities of the Cessna Skyhawk to support the need of pilots in China."

The school currently utilizes 14 Skyhawk aircraft and three flight simulators for pilot training, as well as a Cessna Citation M2 as an advanced training aircraft.

About the Cessna Skyhawk

The Cessna Skyhawk is the most popular single-engine aircraft in aviation history. Since the aircraft first took to the sky in 1955, more than 45,000 Skyhawks have been delivered to customers around the world — more than any other aircraft in the industry, and solidifying the Skyhawk as the aircraft of choice for pilot training. The single-engine four-seat high-wing aircraft is renowned for offering the best combination of modern features, including the leading Garmin G1000 NXi avionics system with wireless connectivity, a standard angle-of-attack display system, and proven dependability.

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