



## Press Release

### SFC lands a UK first with new ALX medium jet simulator!

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Stapleford Flight Centre, one of the UK's top flight training schools, is leading the field with the acquisition of a brand new "state of the art" ALX Alsim medium jet simulator. This is first in the UK, and one of only five in Europe. It has just been installed at the Essex-based airfield and it will be used for MCC (Multi-Crew Co-operation) courses and JOC (Jet Orientation Courses) as well as a combined course for tomorrow's airline pilots.

Introducing the new simulator, Head of Training, Colin Dobney, said:

*"This new simulator enables Stapleford to offer enhanced MCC courses in a flight model which, although generic, has many features of the Airbus A320. We will also launch a combined MCC and JOC course as well as standalone JOC courses. It is a big investment for Stapleford so we are keen to utilise the ALX on all aspects of training. In addition to light and medium jet models with EFIS (Electronic Flight Instruments Systems), it has the benefit of conventional instrument mode for SEP (single engine piston) and MEP (multi engine piston) training, enabling us to replicate the Warriors, Arrows and Senecas in our fleet"*

The new ALX joins two other Alsim training simulators already in operation at Stapleford. An earlier AL200 has now been traded in to make way for the latest version, which features a very impressive wrap-round screen with standard graphics covering all major airports. This is to be upgraded to a High Definition package by the end of the year. Once the new simulator is up and running for professional training, Stapleford will be offering members of the general public and aviation enthusiasts the opportunity to experience flying a medium sized jet by simulator.

**Note to Editors:**

Stapleford Flight Centre in Essex has been training private and airline pilots for over 40 years and offers the full range of qualifications from Private Pilot's Licence, through Commercial Pilot's Licence, Instrument Rating to a frozen Air Transport Pilot's Licence and Multi Crew Cooperation. Each year Stapleford trains between 60-80 professional pilots from all parts of the world and achieves exceptionally high pass rates. Stapleford Flight Centre has full accreditation from BAC (British Accreditation Council for Independent, Further and Higher Education) and is approved as a Learning Provider by the Ministry of Defence Enhanced Learning Credit Administration System.

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