Munters flies off with SEK 13 million RAF contract

Munters in the UK has won a prestigious contract worth SEK 13 million from the Ministry of Defence to supply the Royal Air Force in the UK with several hundred portable dehumidifiers.

"This contract demonstrate the type of partnership relationship Munters establish with important customers" says Lennart Evrell, CEO and President of the Munters Group. "These lightweight portable dehumidifiers are one of our latest development and are ideal for the rugged conditions encountered by the RAF. Lowering the humidity inside the aircraft offers the RAF significant cost savings as well as extending flying hours"

When aircraft are on the ground the dehumidifiers will protect their avionics from potentially damaging moisture regardless of the climate. The controlled environment generated by the dehumidifiers improves engine reliability, extends flying hours and reduces the number of spare parts required.

Munters robust MH300M portable dehumidifiers will be employed in a variety of jets including Tornadoes, Harriers, and Jaguars as well as helicopters such as the Lynx. These aircraft operate in climates ranging from the tropics in Asia to the Arctic conditions found in Canada.

When a jet is on the ground a dehumidifier can simply be coupled to the aircraft and will maintain the atmosphere inside the plane at 45 per cent relative humidity - this simulates desert conditions.

Under these conditions the aircraft's avionics are maintained in pristine condition thereby increasing the time between engine service and/or failures. At the same time metallic components are protected as the relative humidity is well below 50 per cent level at which corrosion begins.

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