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- 1. Stock Exchange announcement regarding shares acquisition dated 11 January 2006.

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**Company** Cobham PLC  
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### COBHAM ACQUIRES 100% SHARES IN FLIGHT INSPECTION COMPANIES IN UK AND GERMANY

Cobham plc (Cobham) announces that its Services Division has agreed to acquire the minority interest in 51% owned UK based subsidiary Flight Precision Limited (FPL) and the entire issued share capital of Aerodata Flight Inspection GmbH (AFI) in Germany, from Aerodata AG. The acquisitions, for a debt free consideration of up to €11.2m in cash, are expected to become unconditional in the first quarter of 2006 after the satisfactory fulfilment of regulatory and other conditions.

FPL and AFI inspect and calibrate systems essential to the safe operation of aircraft at commercial and military airports, including instrument landing systems, radars and other navigational aids for take-off, landing and en-route navigation, including naval navigation aids.

FPL and AFI have customers in 28 countries including the UK, Netherlands, Spain, Portugal, Germany and countries in North Africa and the Middle East. The acquisitions will enhance Cobham's market leading position in the highly specialised flight inspection service market and will be immediately earnings enhancing.

Alex Hannam, Group Managing Director, Cobham Services Division, said, "The flight inspection service market worldwide is growing steadily with the emergence of new airports and equipment upgrades and a trend by military and civil organisations to outsource flight inspection activities. With an enlarged fleet of common aircraft and bases in the UK and mainland Europe we are well placed for further growth."

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#### NOTES

Cobham plc - with five technology divisions and one in a service sector, Cobham designs and manufactures equipment, specialised systems and components for the aerospace, defence, communications, law enforcement and national security markets, and operates, maintains and modifies aircraft, particularly in relation to special mission flight operations.

Cobham Services Division - focuses on flight operations and services with a fleet of more than 150 fixed and rotary wing aircraft and the provision of specialist composite capabilities. Flight operation capabilities include military training, special mission flight operations, and outsourced freight and passenger services. The division also has a comprehensive engineering capability for aircraft modification and maintenance, and provides on aircraft maintenance for the UK MoD's fleet of Nimrod and Sentry aircraft.

Composite capabilities include the design and manufacture of radomes for naval and aircraft applications, including the Tornado and Typhoon, and specialist parts for the aerospace, defence and rail industries.

Flight Precision Limited (FPL) and Aerodata Flight Inspection GmbH (AFI) - FPL is co-located with FR Aviation at Durham Tees Valley Airport, County Durham, England, using a fleet of four King Air 200 aircraft operated by FR Aviation, and AFI operates from its base at Braunschweig Research Airport, Lower Saxony, Germany with one King Air 200 aircraft.

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