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Sumitomo Mitsui Finance and Leasing Company, Limited
 Libra Group

Investment into Helicopter Leasing Partner “LCI Investments Limited”



Image of helicopter

Sumitomo Mitsui Finance and Leasing Company, Limited (President: Masaki Tachibana, "SMFL") and Libra Group (Executive Chairman: George M. Logothetis, "Libra") announced that SMFL has acquired a 35% stake in LCI Investments Limited ("LCI"), the world’s second-largest helicopter leasing company owned by the Libra Group. LCI has become an affiliated company of SMFL.

In 2020, SMFL and LCI established a helicopter leasing joint venture, SMFL LCI Helicopters Limited ("SMFLH"), combining SMFL's financial strength and creditworthiness, as well as knowledge and expertise accumulated in the transportation business, with LCI's expertise in helicopter leasing. Since then, SMFLH has expanded to over 50 aircraft and achieved steady growth.

The helicopters provided by SMFLH are used for urgent medical evacuations from accident scenes, inter-hospital transport, accidents in coastal and mountainous areas, and disaster relief. Many of the helicopter missions contribute to the achievement of the SDGs, such as providing solutions to various difficult problems faced by communities and helping to solve environmental problems by saving energy and speeding up transportation to offshore wind power generation facilities, which is in line with one of SMFL's vision “Chosen for its commitment to SDGs” – as a responsible corporate

citizen and so as to continue being a chosen business partner for future generations, SMFL is committed to achieving SDGs towards the creation of a better society. Through our helicopter leasing business, SMFL will contribute to solving environmental and social issues that are becoming more serious on a global scale, to developing communities, and to realizing a sustainable society.

With this investment, SMFL will further strengthen its partnership with LCI to enhance sustainable growth in the helicopter-related business, as well as tapping opportunities into the advanced air mobility (AAM) market to expand portfolio in electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft which LCI is focusing on. In addition, SMFL Group and Libra Group will work to develop and grow their global business by deepening their cooperative relationship.

Overview of LCI

Company Name	LCI Investments Limited
Head Office	13-14 Hobart Place, London, United Kingdom
Shareholders	Libra Group (65%), SMFL (35%)
Business	Helicopter Leasing
No. of Helicopters	Approx. 160 helicopters (owned & managed)
Homepage	www.lciaviation.com

Overview of Libra Group

Company Name	Libra Group
Head Office	New York, U.S.A.
Representative	George M. Logothetis (Executive Chairman)
Business	Aviation, energy, shipping, real estate, hotel and other businesses in 60 countries. Libra Group is actively involved in solving social issues such as environmental protection, poverty issues, childcare support and community revitalization.
Homepage	www.libra.com

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