

02.09.2011 | MENZIES AVIATION NEW HANDLING AGENT FOR AIRBRIDGECARGO AT SCHIPHOL

AirBridgeCargo Airlines (ABC), Russia's largest scheduled all-cargo carrier, has announced today that Menzies Aviation will act as its handling agent at Amsterdam Schiphol Airport (AMS) as per 5th October 2011. The new handling contract is set up for five years and covers ramp and cargo handling services.

AirBridgeCargo has established one of its major hubs at Amsterdam Schiphol Airport operating twelve scheduled Boeing 747 full freighter flights per week – processing some 70,000 tons per annum. Established May 2004, AirBridgeCargo is a subsidiary of Volga-Dnepr Group serving 18 hubs in the world. Ludwig Hamburger, Vice President and Regional Director EMEA: "We are continuously developing ABC's service quality in order to assure reliability and operational efficiency and therefore to always meet our customers' needs. At Schiphol Airport we recently decided for collaborating with Menzies Aviation that will provide us with bigger facility. We think that cooperating with this experienced and globally acting handling agent will help us to further develop our handling procedures. Above all, this will support us in optimizing and extending our route network which is part of our growth strategy."

Menzies Aviation, a fully owned subsidiary of John Menzies plc, is a global provider of passenger, ramp and cargo handling services, operating at more than 117 stations in 27 countries and supported by a worldwide team of over 16,000 people. At Schiphol Airport Menzies Aviation employs more than 650 staff members, approximately 400 of which are active in cargo and full freighter handling. Craig Smith, President and Managing Director Menzies Aviation: "The five year ground contract with AirBridgeCargo enables us to take a major step in strengthening our position in the ground handling market. We offer flexibility and dedication in management, staff and infrastructure in order to ensure a high-quality and efficient handling operation. We are looking forward to successfully establishing a long term collaboration with AirBridgeCargo Airlines."

