

Malaysia's Weststar orders nine AW139s

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Weststar Aviation Services of Malaysia has signed an order with AgustaWestland for nine AW139 medium twin engine helicopters.

The helicopter and business jet operator will use them for off-shore oil and gas charter, with all nine due to be delivered by March 2011. AgustaWestland Malaysia, the Malaysian subsidiary of AgustaWestland, will also provide pilot training and maintenance support.

AgustaWestland has sold a number of AW139s into Malaysia, but this is the first Malaysian order involving aircraft that will be used for off-shore missions.

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