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Marshall presented with Queen’s Award for Enterprise 2016

- Marshall recognised in 2016 Queens’ Award for International Trade
- Second Award in three years - in 2013 Marshall won Queens’ Award for Innovation
- Presented by Sir Hugh Duberly, KCVO, CBE Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire

Marshall Aerospace and Defence Group has been presented with Queen’s Award for Enterprise in the International Trade category by Sir Hugh Duberly, Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire. The award recognises how, during the course of three consecutive financial years, Marshall saw an increase of almost 70% in its international trade.

During this three-year period, more than half of Marshall’s exports were engineering and support services to airframe OEMs, governments, Air Forces and commercial operators. Of particular note, in 2014, Marshall completed a complex, time-sensitive two-aircraft cabin upgrade programme for TAP, Portugal’s leading airline. Also contributing to international sales was, and continues to be, the manufacture of fuel tanks for the Boeing P-8 maritime patrol aircraft, for which the OEM presented Marshall with a ‘Supplier of the Year’ award in 2014.

Steve Fitz-Gerald, CEO of Marshall Aerospace and Defence Group, comments: “It is a great honour to have won a Queen’s Award for Enterprise, for which we are most grateful. It is the most respected of all business awards, and to be recognised for our role in the export of the UK’s engineering capabilities, in both commercial and military sectors, is an immense boost to the men and women of our company. Marshall has built an enviable reputation the world over, and we are keen to do our part to strengthen the UK’s Prosperity Agenda”.
Marshall’s strength in the international market place has a significant impact at home. The company, which employs more than 2,000 people, adds circa £100m gross value-added to the UK economy and spends over £140m in the supply chain to support its business; indirectly supporting a further 2,500 jobs (Buro Happold, 2014).

Fitz-Gerald concludes: “Everyone in the business is incredibly proud of this wonderful achievement, coming as it does just a few years after we won a Queen’s Award for Enterprise in Innovation. Also, 2016 marks our 50th year of supporting the UK’s Royal Air Force’s C-130 fleet, time during which we have performed invaluable maintenance work, undertaken emergency recovery projects and made numerous upgrades – work that has been recognised around the world and led to us supporting the C-130 fleets of nine other air forces around the world.”

MAIN ENDS

Marshall Aerospace and Defence Group’s 2016 Queen’s Award for Enterprise recognises how, during the course of three consecutive financial years, the company saw an increase of almost 70% in its international trade.
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NOTES TO EDITORS

Queen's Awards
• 249 Queen's Awards (QA) have been announced this year for outstanding business achievement in the fields of International Trade, Innovation and Sustainable Development.

• The awards are made annually by HM The Queen and are only given for the highest levels of excellence demonstrated in each category.

Marshall Aerospace and Defence Group (www.marshalladg.com) is a leading independent aerospace and defence company, specialising in the conversion, modification, maintenance and support of military and commercial aircraft, business aviation services (including sales, charter services), the design and manufacture of special mission vehicles and shelters for the armed forces and humanitarian aid organisations, and the provision of personnel and training into advanced engineering sectors.

The company's primary customers are major platform OEMs - such as Boeing, Airbus, BAE Systems, Bombardier, Lockheed Martin and Embraer – commercial airlines (supported through cabin upgrades, including IFE upgrades, and refinishing programmes) and major MRO organisations.

The company has more than 80 years’ experience in aviation and a full-spectrum engineering capability that includes project/product conception, design, manufacture, test, certification, integration/embodiment, in-service support and legacy platform/system sustainment. These capabilities have been exported to more than 30 countries and the company is working with 10 of the world's air forces in relation to the C-130 platform.

Marshall Aerospace and Defence Group is headquartered in Cambridge, where it employs more than 2,000 highly trained personnel on its 800 acre site, which includes 1.2 million ft² of hangar space plus the company-owned Cambridge Airport. The company also has two other sites in the UK (Broughton in Flintshire, Wales and Kirkbymoorside in Yorkshire) and offices in Australia, Canada and The Netherlands.
Marshall Aerospace and Defence Group is part of the Marshall Group, which employs more than 6,000 worldwide and which has a turnover of £2.4 billion.