Gulf Helicopters was formed in 1970 to operate charter services in the Gulf area. British Airways Helicopters' original shareholding (24% per cent) has now passed to Gulf Aviation, which becomes sole owner.

Head Office: PO Box 811, Doha, Qatar.


Gulfair—see Scimitar Airlines.

Guyana Airways Corporation was founded in 1938 as British Guyana Airways. In 1941 the government bought out BGA and in September 1965 the name was changed to Guyana Airways. A network of scheduled services links Georgetown with 24 points in Guyana. Charter work is also undertaken, as well as cargo services from Miami, the Caribbean and Brazil. British Airways is providing management assistance from March 1979 under contract.

Head Office: 32 Main Street, Georgetown, Guyana.


Head Office: 3000 Hannover 42 Flughafen, West Germany.

Executives: chairman, Dr Peter Schmitz; executive directors: Klaus Bertram; Karl-Heinz Schneider; Dr Bruno Zeil; Ernst-Friedrich Luck; Wolf-Dieter Müller; market, Dieter Beutler; operations, Gerrit Denkema; technical, Diethelmsm Vogel; public relations, Manfred Reckkellmann.

Employees: 1,500.

Fleet: two Boeing 727-200, eight 727-100, four Airbus A300B4, one A300C4, four One-Eleven 500. On order: one 727-200, six 737-200.

Hawaiian Airlines (Hawaiian Air) was founded in 1929 as Inter-Island Airways. In June 1972 the name was adopted as Hawaiian. Major stockholder with 45 per cent is John H. Magoon Jr, President and Treasurer. Hawaiian, along with a number of small companies, links Honolulu with the islands of Kauai, Molokai, Maui, Lanai and three airports on the island of Hawaii. The mainland Air Cargo Division (Hawaiian Air Cargo), operates Electra freighters on commercial and charter, TV, radio and film contract services. The main bases are Honolulu, Oakland and San Diego. The airline has also been in the market for a Miami-Dade airport but is currently considering the use of long-range freight equipment. The airline has also obtained Route 66 services to Bangoon, Calcutta, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Bangkok.

Head Office: 101 Bishop Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, USA.

Executives: chairman/president, John H. Magoon, executive vice-president, Erastus Corning III; vice-presidents: financial planning, Sueo Sakamoto; maintenance, Raymond Yamaguchi; marketing, Peter A. Dudgeon; administration/secretary, A. G. Cole; Hawaii area sales, George M. Ishii; Las Vegas, Nevada; Davis, Northern California; N. Takano; stations, Simeon K. Bright Jr; customer services, Raymond Yamaguchi; flight service, Jesse B. Dudley; technical services, George E. Kelly; legal affairs, James M. Verner.

Employees: 1,400.


Helicopters (NZ) was founded in 1955 by a group of Wellington businessmen and is New Zealand's biggest rotary-wing company. General helicopter activities are centred on offshore work in the New Zealand offshore oil and gas industry. The company is also involved in construction industry work, airborne measurement and mining support, offshore supply operations and oil and gas exploration. The company also provides contract helicopter services to the West German Antarctic expedition.


Executives: chairman, John W. Reid; general manager, C. A. Wills; operations manager, R. B. Kay; engineering manager, W. L. Williams; chief pilot, Capt J. H. Wilson; chief engineer, P. F. Gits; secretary, R. A. White.

Employees: 50.

Fleet: two Bell 212, five Lama, four Hughes 500D, two Soloy-7 Bell 47G, five Bell 47G. On order: two S-76A Spirit.

Helicopter Service A/S, founded in March 1980 as Scanopenter Service by Morten H. Hancke, is privately owned by the airline's management. The company has a major shareholding in Wiking Helikopter Services. The company's headquarters are in Copenhagen.

Head Office: PO Box 2561, Hansteensgade 3, Copenhagen 4, Denmark.

Executives: chairman, Christian Ringnes; vice-president, Morten H. Hancke; director, Rolf Christensen; marketing manager, Per Jörgensen.

Employees: 100.

Fleet: one Sikorsky S-61N, six Bell 212, three Bell 204B, two Long Ranger, two JetRanger, one Bell 47H, two Bell 212B, two Bell 204B, one Titan, one Cessna 206, two Cessna 182.

Helitours, formed in 1971, is a commercial operation organised and operated by the Sri Lanka Air Force, using its transport aircraft and helicopters. The operation came about immediately after the emergency of 1971, with a resultant in a sudden large expansion of the SLAF. A proposal was made to the Government to use the force and its crews on non-military duties with a view to recovering part of the heavy defence expenditure. At the same time providing crews with adequate flying to maintain their standards. The proposal was accepted and SLAF was authorised under a Presidential Decree to use its aircraft for the carriage of revenue passengers and freight. The operation is essentially a charter service and not a scheduled operation selling tickets.

Head Office: PO Box 594, Colombo 2, Sri Lanka.

Executives: chairman, AVM Harry Goonetilleke; manager, S/Ldr Wimal Fernando.

Fleet: one HS.748, one Convair CV-440, two DC-3, two Riley Heron, two DH Heron, two SA365 Dauphin, three Cessna Sky Master, seven JetRanger.

Heli-Union, formed in 1969 by Claude Roussel, is active in nearly every type of helicopter activity except agricultural flying. Maintenance, flying training (some at Tarbes), air taxi and general charter, TV, radio and film contract fights, all-weather support flights for on and offshore oil and gas exploration companies, survey and research operations in the Arctic and South America, support flights for the construction and petroleum industries, all weather and offshore supply flights are undertaken. Numerous subsidiary and associated companies operate throughout the world and internationally. The companies are Mena Delta Air Service (Egypt), SEMA (Congo), Heli-Avia (Portugal), Cruzeiro Transportes, Helicar, Comercial e Nozioni, Reunion Air Service (Reunion), Heli-Union (Colombia), Heli-Union (France), Heli-Union (Germany) and 49 per cent interest in the unique joint Franco-Vietnamese company Heli-Union. Heli-Union also have aircraft operating in Libya, Ghana, Cameroon, Algeria and the Ivory Coast.

Head Office: 4 Avenue de la Port-de-Sevre, 75015 Paris, France.

Executives: chairman, Alain Roussel;