



As of Saturday March 28, Luxembourg Air Rescue's air ambulances and two of its helicopters have been integrated into the French emergency system SAMU at the request of the French government.

Last night, LAR has transported COVID-19 patients with their ambulance jets (Learjet 45XR) from Eastern France to Hamburg, Germany.

Luxembourg Air Rescue has specifically trained specialist staff for the transport of seriously ill and highly infected patients.

As René Closter, CEO and president of LAR, points out, the transport of people carrying COVID-19 places a high demand on the skills and experience of all LAR's employees: "During these interventions, we take full advantage of the experience we have gained in the last thirty years and the more than 50,000 missions we have conducted, especially those during the EBOLA crisis of 2015."

"For LAR, there are no political borders when it comes to air rescue. It is perfectly natural for us to offer help to a neighboring country in this time of crisis," says Closter.

"It goes without saying that this does not affect the regular air rescue emergency service. Our helicopters stationed in Luxembourg City and Ettelbrück both remain fully operational, as normal," the LAR president said.

On arrival in Hamburg, the patients were placed in the care of German medical teams for further treatment.

Founded in 1988 as a non-profit organization, Luxembourg Air Rescue (LAR) now has 183,000 members. The organization, with its subsidiary Luxembourg Air Ambulance (LAA), is made up of six MD902 helicopters and now six state-of-the-art Learjet 45XR aircraft. With 190 employees, LAR is dedicated to saving and protecting lives in Luxembourg, in the Greater Region and worldwide 24/7 and 365 days a year. LAR applies the highest safety and quality standards in the fields of medicine, technology and aviation to its life-saving mission. www.lar.lu

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