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Air France KLM Martinair Cargo upgrades Schiphol Pharma Hub to transport Covid-19 vaccines

Air France KLM Martinair Cargo (AFKLMP Cargo) is constructing a brand-new climate-cool room at its Schiphol Pharma Hub, a new step in preparation for the distribution of Covid-19 vaccines, which will be handled by a dedicated task force, as announced last month. The additional cold room (COL), with temperatures ranging from +2°C to +8°C, will provide the capacity required to handle Covid-19 vaccines.

Using the latest technology, AFKLMP Cargo will offer:

- Additional 2,061 m³ in storage space;
- Dangerous Goods and DRY ICE compatible service;
- Additional 152 skid positions;
- Flexible temperature range;
- Flexible racks to accommodate odd-sized shipments;
- Monitoring from a central control room;
- Temperature alarm system;
- Speed door to limit exposure;
- Synthetic floor.

Enrica Calonghi, global head of Pharmaceutical Logistics at AFKLMP Cargo: *“Just a few months ago, AFKLMP Cargo already invested in 1,118 m³ of additional controlled-climate room (CRT) at Schiphol using the same hybrid technology. With the construction of this brand-new climate-cool room we will be as flexible as possible to handle more vaccines if necessary.”*

Shipping pharma and healthcare products is a core activity for AFKLMP Cargo

We are continuously improving our services and investing in infrastructure at our Paris Charles de Gaulle (CDG) and Amsterdam Schiphol (AMS) hubs. We know how important it is to guarantee the required quality, reliability and connectivity throughout supply chains. Our customers can therefore book their valuable pharma via our myCargo portal, where we offer clarity on capacity, infrastructure and capabilities at our CDG and AMS hubs, but also at more than 120 pharma destinations worldwide.

“We are fully prepared for shipping Covid-19 vaccines”

GertJan Roelands, SVP of Sales & Distribution at AFKLMP Cargo: *“The transportation of pharmaceuticals and other healthcare goods is a strategic priority for AFKLMP Cargo. We are thrilled with this investment, which will further improve the service standards of our Schiphol Pharma Hub. We will keep improving infrastructure, introducing digital initiatives and pursuing others innovations to meet the highest industry standards for transporting pharmaceuticals and other healthcare goods. This is essential when it comes to shipping Covid-19 vaccines.”*

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About Air France KLM Martinair Cargo

The Air France-KLM Group is a global airline group with a strong European base. Its main areas of business are passenger transport, cargo transport and aeronautical maintenance.

Air France KLM Martinair Cargo is the Air France-KLM Group’s dedicated air cargo business. Air France KLM Martinair Cargo is a member of SkyTeam Cargo (www.skyteamcargo.com) offering an even larger network coverage.

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