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First initiatives

1968 Biafra (Southeast Nigeria) was ravaged by war. Air France pilots and mechanics put back in service a Super-Constellation, which was chartered by the Red Cross and the Order of Malta and started an airlift. For four months they flew by night, transporting food supplies and medicines and evacuated children suffering from malnutrition and other serious illnesses to Libreville. Other operations followed:

- 1972 Bangladesh
- 1974 Sahel
- 1979 Burkina Faso

Aviation Sans Frontières was born in 1980, André Gréard, Gérald Similowski and Alain Yout decided to unite the goodwill of airline staff and French airline companies. They created a permanent structure to coordinate humanitarian actions.

ASF is a non-profit association (Association Loi 1901) and is recognized as a charitable organisation since 1993.

ASF Partners

1. Private sector
AIR FRANCE, ACCOR, AEROPORTS DE PARIS, AIR ET COSMOS, ALLIANZ, AMADEUS FRANCE, AMERICAN EXPRESS, ATR, ATOL, BRIT AIR, BNP PARIBAS, DASSAULT AVIATION, EADS, EUROPCAR, AIRBUS CORPORATION, FOUNDATION FRANCE, GLOBAL FRET, HERTZ, MACIF, MICROSOFT, MONDIAL ASSISTANCE, REGIONAL, ROLLS ROYCE, FAC, SIACI SAINT HONORE, TATEX, TRANSAVIA, TRANSAXE EQUIPEMENTS, VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT, VISA etc.

2. Official Organisations
ICRC International Committee of the Red Cross
ECHOC European Commission Humanitarian Office
UNHCR UN High Commissioner for Refugees
IOM International Office for Migration
MAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Delegation for Humanitarian Action
WFP World Food Program
UNICEF United Nations Children’s Emergency Fund

3. Non Governmental Organisations
ACF Action Contre la Faim
CARE International
HI Handicap International
MCC Mécénat Chirurgie Cardiaque
MSF Médecins Sans Frontières
PHI Pharmacie Humanitaire Internationale

La Chaîne de l’Espoir, Caritas, l’Amade Internationale, The Order of Malta, and many more...

ASF Actions

- Humanitarian air transportation support to NGOs
- Sick children escort
- Refugee escort
- Medical humanitarian assistance
- Humanitarian cargo
- Milk missions
- Aviation discovery days for handicapped children
- e-Aviation: awareness of the aviation profession for socially isolated youths.

Aviation Sans Frontières is a partner of the European Commission Humanitarian Office (ECHO) and the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).
Aircraft missions

By means of long standing missions in stricken or isolated countries, ASF contributes to the delivery of assistance and humanitarian aid thanks to its own planes flown by volunteer pilots and serviced in an approved workshop in conformity with new European standards.

Flexibility and strict management of operational costs allow emergency operations in inaccessible places, mainly in Africa.

People

More than twenty pilots, all professional and volunteers, eight mechanics and a logistics manager ensure ASF presence throughout the world. They come from different backgrounds: airline companies, piloting schools, etc.

A very fruitful exchange has been established between the more experienced, senior members and the enthusiastic younger members of ASF.

Country of intervention in 2012

Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)

Based in Mbandaka and Bunia, the two ASF Cessna 208B Grand Caravan serve more than thirty bush strips on behalf of UN.

These planes ensure:
- Transportation of humanitarian aid
- Emergency medical evacuations
- Logistics support to NGOs

For the record

1690 flight hours flown
4054 persons transported (medical staff and Medevacs)
81 tons of urgent relief forwarded...

ASF is the first NGO to receive a European Air Operator Certificate. This is the result of extensive efforts carried out by ASF in organizing its structures, documents, volunteers to comply with the safety level required by the certification authorities.

Some previous missions

Uganda, Mali, Mozambique, Ethiopia, Sudan, Ivory Coast, Guinea-Bissau, Angola, Madagascar, Armenia, Cambodia, Bangladesh, Honduras, Kosovo, Chad, Nigeria, Central African Republic, Rwanda…
**OUR ACTIVITIES**

**Sick children escort**

In 2012, ASF escorted 1167 sick children thanks to 2 doctors, 16 nurses and 335 escorts, all volunteers.

A child needing a surgery in Europe is entrusted by NGO's to ASF for accompanying him by plane to the city where he will be operated on. After recovery, he will be taken back home by an ASF volunteer towards his family.

The average cost of an escort is 198€.

**Evolution of the number of children escorted**

- 2007: 1068
- 2008: 1103
- 2009: 1046
- 2010: 1111
- 2011: 1148
- 2012: 1167

**Partner associations**

- Terre des Hommes,
- Sentinelles,
- Chaîne de l’Espoir,
- Mécénat Chirurgie Cardiaque,
- Espoir pour un enfant,
- Rencontres Africaines,
- Centre Pédiatrique de Roquetaillade,
- La Ribambelle,
- Auvergne pour un enfant,
- Enfants du Monde,
- Children’s Medical Missions West (ASF is Paris relay of this US NGO),
- Santé France Laos
  and many others...

**Refugee escort**

Since 2006, upon the request of the IOM (International Office for Migration of the UN Refugee Agency UNHCR) ASF volunteers accompany families confined in refugee camps for many years, to a new life as authorized immigrants in the United States, Canada or Northern Europe.

Likewise, ASF in 2008 operated from Liberia and Sierra Leone both in 2008 and 2009 from Nepal, in 2011, after a one year break, from Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda, and subsequently from Darfour.

In total, since the beginning of this activity, ASF escorted 3,388 refugees to their host countries.

In 2012, the refugee movements have speeded up with additional departures. A total of 34 groups of refugees (1150 people) were escorted to the United States, Canada and Norway, departing from Entebbe, Kigali, Bujumbura and, for the first time, from Addis Ababa.
OUR ACTIVITIES

Delivery of medical supplies

In 2012 ASF delivered about 7,777 packages (28 shipping per day) to over 50 destinations worldwide, consisting of medicines, small medical and surgical equipment wheelchairs etc. A new law makes mandatory for the associations to purchase by themselves their pharmaceuticals to ensure their traceability. As well, they have to request by themselves their custom clearance. X-ray detectors secure the shipments throughout the world.

Thanks to the assistance of TATEX and Air France, packages originating from all over France are transported to Orly airport for dispatch. After the agreement of Air France Captain, they go, under the responsibility of our team, through the various required controls.

The ASF office in Saint-Denis de la Réunion Island enables the distribution of local shipments and ensures the transit on Air Austral to the Indian Ocean. Shipments via Pointe-à-Pitre are transported by Air France to the Dominican Republic.

550 senders, humanitarian organisations or religious congregations, benefit from this means of transportation.

Number of packages sent from 2007 to 2012

At last, thanks to the firm ATOL, and the help of Le Havre Lions Club, ASF has been able in 2012 to ship 5,800 glasses towards 35 countries all over the world.

Special operations

The Medical Supply Department pays a particular attention to answering as soon as possible the calls for emergency assistance at time of disasters like floods in Malagasy Republic and Pakistan or earthquakes like in Haiti or Chili, starvation and conflicts.

ASF is also involved in prophylactic campaigns (vaccination or prevention of HIV). Likewise, ASF is proceeding to the shipping of fragile items as dialysis pouches to Chad or bulky and difficult freight as oxygen extractors intended for pediatric intensive care or pneumology units in Malagasy Republic.
OUR ACTIVITIES

The milk mission

These humanitarian missions enable every year the daily distribution of either a glass of milk (33 cl) or a milky porridge of millet, sorghum, or ground nuts to several thousand African children either sick or undernourished.

In 2011, ASF participated in financing and distributing 5 tons of milk or nutritional products in Malagazy Republic and Togo respectively.

Partners
- The French Milk Producers
- Lycée Prieur d’Auxonne
- Order of Malta
- The Rotary
- Villebon Townhall
And many others

Humanitarian cargo

ASF has negotiated preferential rates with Air France Cargo and, when needed with maritime carriers.

The custom clearance agent, Kuhne & Nagel is striving to obtain the best prices from other airline companies for the benefit of associations wishing to send humanitarian freight in large quantity.

In 2011, all in all, 12 tons of emergency cargo were shipped towards 30 destinations among which Sri Lanka, Nepal, Cambodia, Ethiopia, West and East Africa, Bangladesh, Columbia and Malagazy.

Additionally, thanks to a partnership with aircraft manufacturers Airbus, ATR, and their customers, free space on delivery of new planes is used to carry significant amount of humanitarian aid.

Within this frame, in December 2012, more than 1 000 Teddy bears, offered by Airbus staff in France, Germany and United Kingdom, left Toulouse for several foundations dedicated to deprived children.

“e-Aviation”

Since 2008, Aviation Sans Frontières has participated in a collective programme to increase awareness of the aviation professional sector for socially isolated youths.

This programme relies on computer support and the Microsoft software “Flight Simulator”.

Simulators are leading tools for learning and developing skills in particular in the professional world.

To date, this new mission is operational on two sites: Toussus-le-Noble and Nantes.

About 50 volunteers helped 300 teenagers to discover and better understand the various jobs existing in aviation.
**The “Wings of Hope”**

Since 1995, Aviation Sans Frontières organizes discovery days of the world of aviation to handicapped youths, who, isolated by their limited mobility, could never have imagined their dream of flying to come true.

Relying on its own funds and with the support of different flying clubs in France, ASF endeavours to fulfill their desire of new horizons and open the magic world of aviation.

And that’s how, in 2012 ASF as offered to its 1,122 guests initiation in flight navigation, weather forecasting, aircraft model piloting and a discovery flight with a diploma.

The average cost of a first flight is 80€.

**Air Fields**

*The Wings of Hope*

- **The Paris region**
  - la Ferté-Alais: the activity is completed by the visit of 80 vintage aircraft from the collection of the museum Jean-Baptiste Salis.

- **Other French regions**
  - The base of Aix-en-Provence (aerodrome Les Milles) is operating on a permanent basis.
  - Angers, Autun, Beaune, Biarritz, Bordeaux, Chambéry, Nancy, Nantes, Quimper, Perpignan, Saint-Omer, Sarlat, Strasbourg, Tours, Toulouse and Valence, also participate in this chain of solidarity.

**Partners**

21 associated flying clubs plus:
- Les Ailes Brisées,
- Airbus Corporate Foundation,
- ATR, Britair and Régional,
- Les Caisses d’Epargne
- Dassault Aviation,
- Fondation de la Banque Populaire Atlantique,
- Les Kiwis de Strasbourg
- Ville de Nancy
- Les Lions de Biarritz and many others...

Since 2009, ASF organizes for free visits of aeronautical sites. These tours are destined to associations, foundations, hospitals, homes, accommodating mainly young people who, due to their difficulties would never access to those domains. 125 guests were warmly welcomed by the Orly and Roissy airports, the French Police Force, the Civilian Security and the Helicopter Groups, the Athis Mons Air Control Center and many others...
MANAGEMENT

Management

People
More than 700 volunteers, equivalent to 80 full time employees, at the headquarters and at the delegations supported by 9 salaried persons.
A 3rd aircraft should be bought in 2013.

Planes
The fleet currently consists of:
- Two CESSNA 208 B CARAVAN turbo props of 675 HP equipped with 11 seats for 9 passengers.
Additional planes are leased for occasional needs.

• Own resources
- member subscriptions,
- donations from individuals and companies
- sale of Christmas cards, publicity goods, books dedicated to ASF activities
- organisation of events (concerts, golf tournaments, charity dinners, etc.)

• Other income
- Participation : Participation of humanitarian organisation (UN Pooled Fund in DRC) and NGO’s.

Operating costs
- Aircraft maintenance, insurance, pilot qualifications, aeronautic taxes, airplane fuel
- Cost of missions and overheads, salaries and taxes
- cost for transporting sick children

All members of ASF work voluntarily except 9 salaried employees in charge of the followings fields.
Accounts department
Logistics
Public Relations
Stock management

Budget Resources

ASF balance sheet (in euros, including exceptional expenses)

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* following the sale of 2 CESNA 182
** following an exceptional break of aircraft missions for 9 months

2012 consolidated balance sheet will be published on the French “Journal Officiel” following the Annual General Assembly of May 2013
All the members of ASF are volunteers with the exception of nine permanent staff in charge of the following areas:
- accounting
- logistics
- communication
- management of medical stocks, etc.

**ASF in France**

**Regional Delegations**
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**ASF in Europe**

- Germany (LOG) :
  Luftfahrt Ohne Grenzen

- Belgium (ASF-Belgique) :
  Aviation Sans Frontières Belgique
  Piloten Zonder Grenzen België

- Spain (ASF-E) :
  Aviación Sin Fronteras

- United Kingdom (AWB) :
  Aviation Without Borders

- Netherlands (LZG-ASF) :
  Luchtvaart Zonder Grenzen

Since 11 December 2004, the six European entities of ASF have adopted a charter which defines a common ethic for their humanitarian actions.
Honours awarded to ASF since 1984

- **1984**  Prix ICARE awarded by l’Association des journalistes de la Presse Aéronautique et de l’Espace (AJPAE).
- **1986-87**  The Lions Club nominates ASF ”Œuvre Nationale “.
- **1990**  ASF obtains the “Order of Merit” from the World Aerospace Education Organization.
- **1991**  Honorary diploma from the International Aeronautics Federation for its action throughout the world.
- **1993**  ASF is granted the honorary status " Association d’Utilité Publique ".
- **1993**  ASF receives a " Laurel Award " from Aviation Week and Space Technology.
- **1994**  The Rotary Club supports its actions in Rwanda.
- **1996**  ASF founder Gérald Similowski receives the Légion d’Honneur.
- **2000**  Award of Honour by the Aviation Humanitaire de l’Aéro-Club de France.
- **2004**  ASF becomes a partner of ECHO (European Community Humanitarian Organisation).
- **2005**  ASF is recognised as a partner of the United Nations ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council) and DPI (Department of Public Information-NGO).
- **2006**  « La Poste » honours ASF humanitarian activities by editing a 0.54 € stamp.
- **2008**  ASF Southeast delegation receives the Assemblée Nationale Medal to honour ASF humanitarian commit-
- **2009**  ASF is awarded the “Outstanding Airmanship “ for its humanitarian actions by the International Aeronautic Federation.
- **2010**  ASF President Jean-Claude Gérin receives the « Médaille de Chevalier de l’Ordre National du Mérite » in recognition of his devotion to the humanitarian cause at ASF.
- **2011**  Jean-claude Cuisine-Etienne, ASF chief pilot, receives the « médaille de l’Aéronautique » to honor his aeronautical career, his dedication to ASF humanitarian missions and flying ASF airplanes.