Etihad Engineering to perform 737 heavy maintenance for Virgin Australia



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Abu Dhabi-based <u>Etihad Engineering</u> has been awarded a heavy maintenance contract by <u>Virgin</u> <u>Australia</u> for its fleet of 737s. The contract covers heavy maintenance and modifications on more than 30 nose to tail aircraft for the largest airline by fleet size under the Virgin brand.

"We are pleased to welcome another valued customer from Australia to our facility in Abu Dhabi," said Abdul Khaliq Saeed, Chief Executive Officer at Etihad Engineering. "With Australian borders reopening and international flights resuming, we are all geared up to support the Virgin Australia team ensuring its 737 fleet continue to take to the skies in top shape as they meet the projected increase in passenger demand."

"As domestic and international flying ramps up from an Australian perspective, Virgin Australia is as focused as ever on safety and on ensuring our aircraft operate at, and are maintained to, the highest possible standard," said Stuart Aggs, Chief Operations Officer for Virgin Australia.

Etihad Engineering has been consistently adding to its comprehensive capabilities on major commercial Boeing and Airbus platforms including the A350 and the A320neo, and partnering with industry leaders regionally and globally to strengthen its global customer footprint beyond the Middle East across Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia and Latin America.

Etihad Engineering's facility is located in Abu Dhabi, adjacent to <u>Abu Dhabi International Airport</u>, over an area of 500,000 square meters with 140,000 square meters dedicated to aircraft parking and preservation. Aircraft hangars at the facility cover approximately 66,000 square meters, including 10,000 square meters of aircraft painting facilities. The company has successfully completed complex maintenance projects over the years for airlines from across the world.