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## OIL&GAS BUSINESS STILL STRONG FOR VOLGA-DNEPR AIRLINES

Volga-Dnepr Airlines is continuing to see an upturn in the movement of oil and gas cargoes, including its latest delivery of pump and vaporizer skids to Seoul, South Korea.

Operated on behalf of Air Charter Service France for its customer, Heppner Transport & Logistics, one of Volga-Dnepr's An-124-100 freighters transported the cargo from Switzerland's EuroAirport Basle-Mulhouse Freiburg to Seoul's Incheon International Airport. The shipment, which included two pieces both weighing 19,500 kilos and two weighing 14,800kg each, was loaded using the An-124-100's onboard crane system.

The shipper prepared special wooden frames to fit underneath the 15-tonne pieces to help with the loading process, which took three hours to complete.

Alexandre Busila, Cargo Director of Air Charter Service France, said: "The loading of this cargo needed meticulous preparation with the Volga-Dnepr Team. Thanks to our joint work the flight was a real success. This charter project shows that the O&G industry is still doing well."

Volga-Dnepr Airlines has over 26 years of experience of delivering heavyweight and outsize cargoes for customers in the oil&gas industry. To date, it has operated over 1,430 flights delivering over 94,000 tonnes of oil&gas shipments to Europe, Russia and the CIS, North America, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Middle East. Cargoes carried have included drilling equipment, pumps, power houses, blowout preventers, tube bundles, pipeline valves, compressors and heat exchangers.

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