



SWIFT UAV SERVICES TEAM ASSISTS BAHAMIAN MINISTRY SUPPORT EFFORTS

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The Government of Bahamas recently engaged Swift Engineering's Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Team to support the country's post-hurricane relief efforts. Following the Category 5 Hurricane that caused damage along with parts of its archipelago, the government engaged Swift to conduct 98 day and night mapping missions over two weeks. The team utilized its unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) to gather fast, real-time intelligence, 3D terrain modeling, damage assessments, fire containment analysis, and situational mapping for the Bahamian Ministry of National Security. Swift is also providing government officials with extensive analysis and reporting to support those who are rebuilding parts of the Grand Bahama and Abaco Islands. Bahamian officials are committing resources and taking quick action to address areas that need it most while fortifying the country's commitment to tourism.

"Our team of UAV pilots and services specialists were ready on a moment's notice to support the relief efforts in the Bahamas," says Rick Heise, CEO of Swift Engineering. "We were able to assess the overall situation on the ground and provide status updates for

areas that are difficult to access, enabling government officials to make faster and more informed real-time decisions," adds Heise.



Headquartered in San Clemente, Swift Engineering has a 35-year history of design, engineering and build heritage in intelligent systems and advanced vehicles; including autonomous systems, helicopters, submarines, spacecraft, ground vehicles, robotics, and advanced composites. Industry leaders such as The Boeing Company, SpaceX, NASA, Sikorsky, Lockheed Martin, Bell Helicopters, and Northrop Grumman collaborate with Swift to solve highly complex problems.

The Swift UAS team has also been working with the government of Japan to proactively address landslide management, coastal erosion, and fire safety issues. Following the 2011 tsunami that caused the Fukushima Daiichi Power Plant collapse, the government invested \$12 Billion to build 245 miles of a seawall to safeguard citizens from future disasters. Swift is playing a vital role in Japan's efforts to fortify its investment and shore up any cracks in the seawall.

The Swift team's visit to the Bahamas has been timely, since Carnival Cruise Line resumed visits to Freeport, on Friday, October 11th. Other major cruise lines are scheduled to dock in 14 of the country's most popular tourist destinations over the next several weeks.

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