

internationally recognized skills of the Portuguese company euroAtlantic in the midst of the COVID-19 crisis repatriating migrants from Niger to Mali

The Portuguese company euroAtlantic airways (EAA) in the next few hours will repatriate migrants from the Republic of Niger, Diori Hamani Airport (NIM) from Niamey, the capital located in the southwest of the country, to the Republic of Mali, Modibo Keita Airport (BKO) that serves the capital Bamako. euroAtlantic will move Boeing B767-300ER (national registration CS-TKT) to this region of West Africa, which is not the first to operate in the region. EAA should refer, for this geographical area, it has already carried out projection and retraction missions of United Nations (UN) troops, namely the Portuguese Armed Forces.

The euroAtlantic airways operation aims to repatriate migrant refugees, was requested by an international company, a leader in air charters on four continents. Niger, with a dimension of almost 1 270 000 km², has more than 75% of its area covered by the Sahara desert. Last Sunday (June 1) the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), quoted by a French news agency, reported that a Malian refugee camp (20,000) in Intikane, in the western part of the country, had been attacked and three people were murdered. The Portuguese plane after disembarking passengers at Bamako Airport (BKO) returns to Lisbon Humberto Delgado Airport (LIS), the company's base.

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