SilkAir to acquire A320's

SilkAir has decided to acquire 18 Airbus aircraft (8 on firm order and 10 on option) to bolster its fleet.

The firm order of 5 A320's and A319's is worth about US\$420 million. The optional order of any of the A320 aircraft is worth US\$560 million. The first delivery is scheduled for September 1998.

The new aircraft will be powered by V2500-A5 engines manufactured by International Aero Engines.

Currently 6 Boeing 737-300 and 2 Fokker 70 aircraft are being used by SilkAir.