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1. Short facility updates

- **ATR-42** is at the Cape Verde. Should arrive on Saturday around 6pm. Still many difficulties getting its items out of customs, this is becoming critical, as they need to be released tomorrow at noon to be here in time for the ATR. Likely first measurement day is 22 January.
- **Twin Otte**r on its way, some important things remain stuck in customs
- **WP-3D** arrived today, first flight scheduled for Friday, 17 January, details to be discussed tomorrow.
- **HALO** finished test flights, tentative plan has it arriving on Saturday, 18 Jan, hope is to line up a track from NTAS toward Barbados with ships and drones below it. Waiting on track and time, partly depends on the weather in Germany.
- **L'Atalante** is battling its way against strong head winds toward Guadaloupe, due to arrive on the 18th, and hopes to set sail on the 20th
- **Meteor** is on the northside of the island, will move to the BCO tonight for testing before exchanging crews at the Harbor on the 17th (early) returning to sea late at which time it will begin measuring.
- **Maria S Merian** found a berth and is loading at the harbor, may try to inflate balloon. Will depart on the 17th in the morning and has permits to start measuring starting on the 18th. Hosting school children on the 16th.
- **Ron Brown** remains at the NTAS and will begin to recover old buoys, launched a line of swift floats and two sail-drones under way
- **Autonaut** will launch (with gliders?) from coast-guard station at 10am in the morning (16 Jan)

2. Plans

- National press releases will be sent out tomorrow (16 Jan, before noon CET).
- Autonaut launch from coast guard station at 10 am
- Some filming at the Maria S Merian in the morning (11 am)
- Operations center meeting at 14:30 for updates
- Press conference planned for Friday morning at CIMH
- Expect weather briefings beginning on weekend.

3. Issues

To revise, reconsider, flight schedules based on the evolving status of the aircraft. Here we need to know boundary conditions of different aircraft.