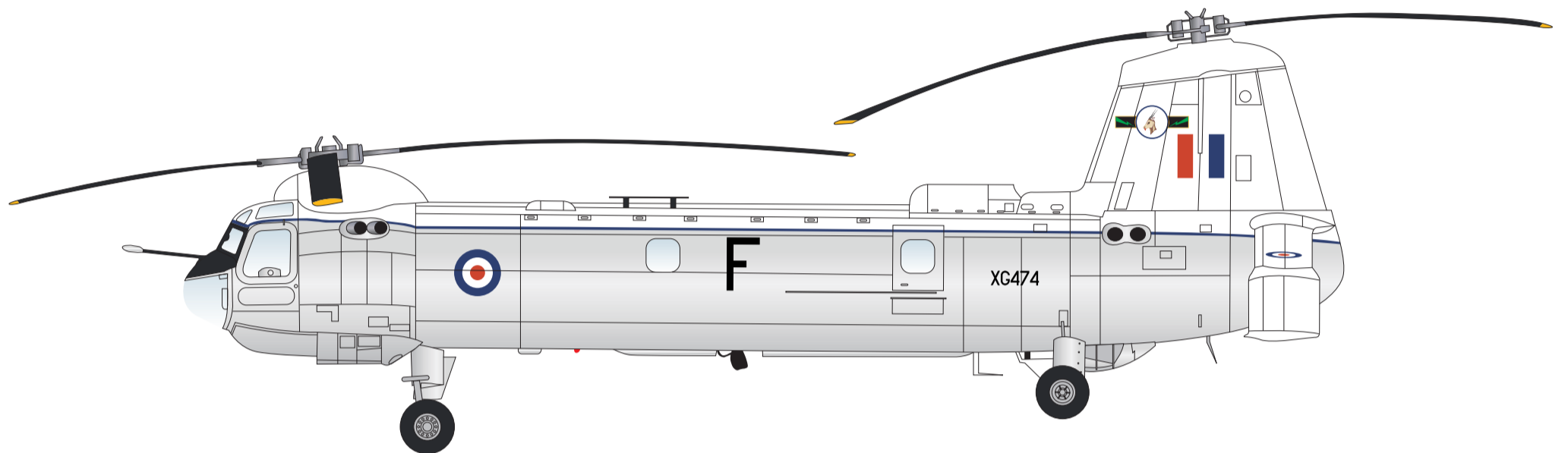


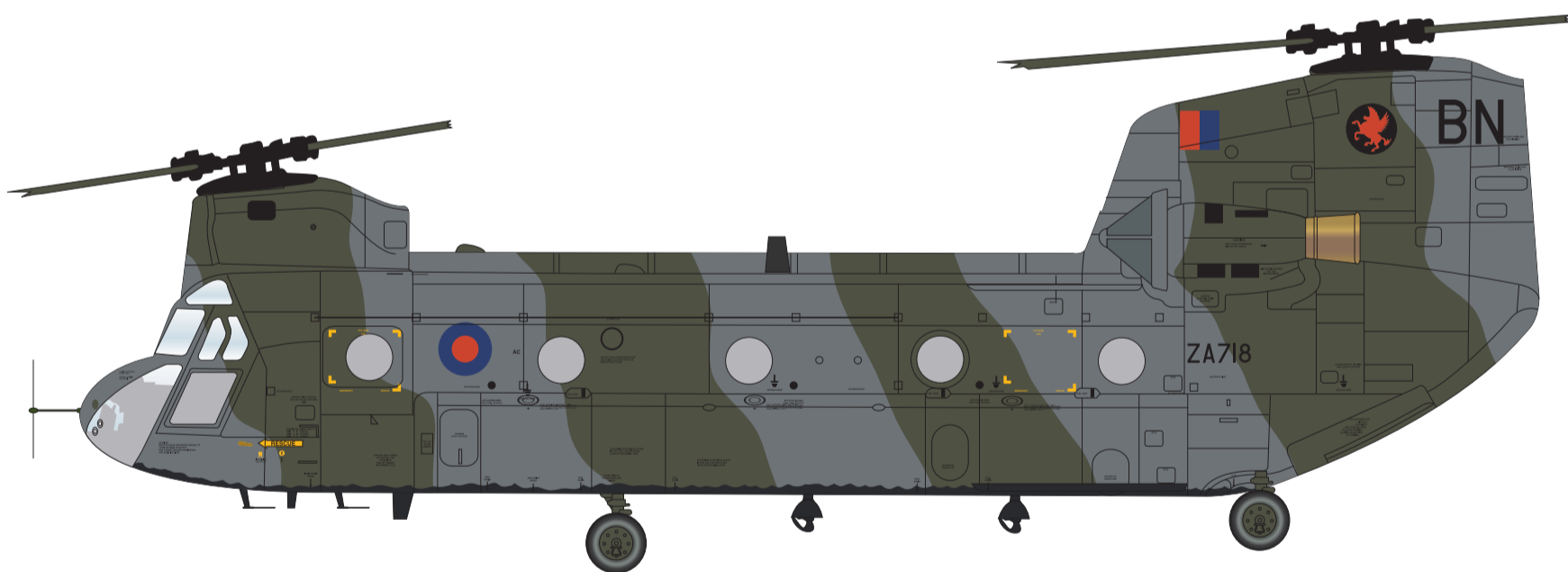
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Tandem-Rotor Helicopters



Bristol Belvedere

The only effective British attempt to create a tandem-rotor heavy-lift helicopter was the Bristol Belvedere. It served at RAF Odiham and was deployed to Aden and Borneo during its service life 1961-69. Just 26 Belvederes were built and could carry 19 troops for 460 miles.



Boeing Chinook Mk 1

The sole Chinook helicopter to operate in the Falkland Islands in 1982, 'Bravo November' is now preserved in the RAF Museum. The Chinook has gone on to operate in almost every corner of the world and became the iconic symbol of the Afghanistan campaign. It can lift 10 tonnes or carry at least 44 troops. It is expected to serve until 2040.

