



Delivering Capability: International Partners Receive Full Mission Simulators



Our team is focused on delivering a fully integrated air system that provides our customers with game-changing warfighting capabilities. This week, for the first time, we delivered Full Mission Simulators (FMS) to international partners. The FMS, which was delivered to the Israeli and Royal Norwegian Air Forces, is a critical component of the F-35 air system.

As the two Air Forces establish their in-country training capabilities and achieve Configured-for-Use (CFU) status, the F-35 team will continue to support and sustain the technology's operations. We're thrilled about this achievement and are focused on delivering the FMS capability to Italy and Japan later this month. Congratulations to all the F-35 team members who delivered on this commitment.

Relevancy & Readiness: Norway Prepares for the Arrival of its first F-35A

Last week in Fort Worth, we hosted Major General Klever, director of the Norwegian F-35 Program. During his time with the team, Maj. Gen. Klever received a facility and flight line tour, program brief and update on the Norwegian F-35As.

Aircraft relevancy and sustainment were major themes of the discussion. We ensured our Norwegian partner that the F-35As arriving in Ørland, Norway this November will be ready for operation and Maj. Gen. Klever departed Beach Street with an in-depth understanding of the sustainment support the F-35 team will provide for Norway's jets.

The successful visit was a critical engagement for our program team and I'd like to thank everyone involved in executing this visit and promoting our vision of F-35 sustainment.



F-35s Make Debut at Misawa Air Base



In another first, two F-35Bs from MCAS Iwakuni touched down at Misawa Air Base, participating in the Pacific Partners Air Festival in Aomori, Honshū. The F-35B was on static display throughout the show and spectators were eager to learn more about the jet's capabilities.

One attendee was quoted in a news report saying, "The F-35 Lightning II was my favorite part. Its sleek frame and renowned capabilities I have read about do not do justice to seeing it in person."

It's always great to hear excitement from all over the world as more and more people get the opportunity to see the aircraft first-hand. The F-35 is already making an impact and it will continue to grow as we deliver more aircraft to our customers.

U.S. Navy Tests F-35C at Sea

The Nimitz-Class aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72) conducted carrier qualifications last week with the Grim Reapers of the Strike Fighter Squadron VFA-101 and the Rough Raiders of VFA-125.

The training gave the squadrons the opportunity to practice the demanding skills needed to launch and recover aircraft in an operational-like environment while helping pilots gain proficiency with the aircraft.

In a Navy article, Lt. Cmdr. Chris Karapostoles, a pilot assigned to VFA 101, said, "I love the F-35C. Compared other jets it's more powerful and really just a beast. Some of the controls are different, which can take a little bit of getting used to, but that's what we have training like this for."



We are proud to support the U.S. Navy as they continue training and validating the 5th generation F-35C's game-changing capabilities. As threats around the world advance, the F-35C is absolutely critical to ensuring the United States Navy's maritime supremacy into the future.

Belgium Fighter Competition



We continue to see global interest in the F-35 as more countries look to upgrade their aging fleets and meet ever evolving threats. Belgium is currently undergoing a competition for a new fighter aircraft, and our team recently submitted our Request for Government Proposal response.

Last week, Jack Crisler, VP of F-35 International Business Development and Billie Flynn, Lockheed Martin F-35 Test Pilot, presented to the media during an event at the U.S. Embassy in Brussels. During their presentation the team spoke about the unrivaled capabilities of the F-35 and why we believe it is the right aircraft for the Belgium Air Force.

This is one of the many potential F-35 international customers that our team is pursuing and we look forward to working with the U.S. and our allies as each opportunity grows.

F-35 Team Participates in Tarrant County Heart Walk

More than 170 walkers represented the F-35 team at the recent Tarrant County Heart Walk and raised more than just their heart rates. Together the team raised more than \$9,100 towards the overall Aeronautics team achievement of more than \$83,000.

I want to thank all of the employees and volunteers that came out to support the event, which raises funds to support critical, life-saving cardiovascular education and research. I'd also like to give a special shout out to our 10 team captains. By getting our teammates involved in this event, you demonstrated what means to be All In, by rallying your teammates to make a significant impact on the community where many of live and work. Thank you for helping make this a successful event! I am very proud to be a part of an organization that does so much to give back to those in need.

