

The Gray Report on UK defence procurement

Executive summary of the Gray report on Defence acquisition and the Government's response can be read at Defence Viewpoints
Defence Viewpoints

Damning UK defence equipment review criticises 'infinite demand'

A damning official report has exposed Britain's defence equipment programme as an unaffordable "fiction", prompting ministers to order a radical shake-up at the Ministry of Defence.

Financial Times

Industry welcomes radical reform

Defence companies and industry lobby groups broadly welcomed the publication yesterday of a radical plan to reform procurement practices at the Ministry of Defence but raised concerns about funding for defence programmes.

Financial Times

MoD 'needs private management to stop £2bn annual waste and equipment delays'

More than £2 billion is being wasted by the Ministry of Defence every year on equipment programmes, an independent report disclosed yesterday.

The Times

BAE Systems secures Typhoon support contract worth more than £400m

BAE Systems has been awarded a five and a half year contract worth more than £400m by Eurofighter GmbH. The new contract will provide support for the radar and defensive aids sub systems (DASS) on the Typhoon fleets for the air forces of Germany, Italy, Spain and the UK.

BAE Systems Press Release

Christopher E. Kubasik Elected By Board Of Directors As Lockheed Martin's President And Chief Operating Officer

Lockheed Martin Corporation today announced that its Board of Directors has elected Christopher E. Kubasik to serve as president and chief operating officer, effective Jan. 1, 2010.

Lockheed Martin Press Release

ST Engineering Awarded \$500 Million US Army Automatic Test Systems Contract

ST Engineering's US subsidiary, VT Miltope, today announced that it has won a US\$500m contract to supply the At Platform Automatic Test Systems (APATS) Maintenance Support Device - Version 3 (MSD-V3) system, comprising rugged laptops, test equipment and instruments, to the US Army.

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Tory choice of Dannatt 'error of judgment'

David Cameron was yesterday accused by a former head of the civil service of making a "major error of judgment" in his "reprehensible" appointment of General Sir Richard Dannatt as a Conservative defence adviser.

Financial Times

New German coalition plans no A400M cuts

Germany's new centre-right coalition plans no cuts to a German order for the Airbus (EAD.PA) A400M military transporter plane, sources from two of the parties involved in talks said on Thursday.

Reuters