

Defence industry launches reports to reconnect with the country

The Defence Industries Council (DIC) has today (Tuesday) published two major reports setting out the vital nature of the defence industry for the United Kingdom in terms of security, jobs and engineering excellence.

Defence Matters

Defence industry warns on recession cutbacks

The Defence industry has warned that Government spending cutbacks prompted by the recession threaten to compromise the effectiveness of Britain's Armed Forces, the sector's trade body warned today.

The Telegraph

Defence industry 'vital for UK'

Investment in defence research and technology must be maintained to protect the industry, its trade body has warned in two reports.

BBC News

BAE Systems targets 300 Typhoon exports

BAE Systems will go head-to-head with the US in the lucrative fighter plane export market as it attempts to sell up to 300 Eurofighter Typhoons abroad to keep production going when domestic orders dry up.

The Telegraph

F35 jet raises tensions with US over technology sharing

At BAE's aircraft manufacturing site in Salmesbury near Preston, an £800m overhaul is under way. Scruffy hangars are being pushed into the background, making way for state-of-the-art low-carbon buildings

The Telegraph

Gates backs Lockheed F-35; cost and schedule key

U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates threw his support behind Lockheed Martin Corp's F-35 on Monday amid mounting speculation the new fighter could face cuts as part of future Pentagon belt-tightening.

Reuters

Boeing Defense Chief Switching to Commercial Side

Jim Albaugh, president and chief executive of Boeing's defense division, will become head of Boeing's commercial airplane business on Sept. 1 as Scott Carson, the current president and chief executive of the commercial business, steps down, company officials said Monday.

Defense News