

Leonardo DRS Awarded Contract for 150+ P5 Combat Training Systems for F-35



Leonardo DRS' Airborne & Intelligence Systems business will provide additional P5 Combat Training Systems for the F-35 Lightning II under a new contract. *LEONARDO DRS*

ARLINGTON, Va. – Leonardo DRS Inc.'s Airborne & Intelligence Systems business division was awarded a contract from Cubic Mission and Performance Solutions (CMPS), a division of Cubic Corporation, to deliver additional P5 Combat Training Systems (P5CTS) for the F-35 Lightning II, Leonardo announced in a June 24 release.

Under the contract Leonardo DRS will deliver two more production lots of its P5CTS internal subsystems for Lockheed Martin's F-35 Air Combat Maneuvering Instrumentation (ACMI) system.

"We are honored to provide our advanced and high-performing air combat training technologies to the U.S. military services and air forces of allied countries so their pilots can effectively train to achieve the highest levels of proficiency in air combat," said Larry Ezell, vice president and general manager of the Leonardo DRS Airborne & Intelligence Systems business unit.

Military services are increasingly moving toward multi-domain operations, and since 2013, Leonardo DRS has delivered more than 779 of its P5CTS internal subsystems for the F-35 to provide training to counter and keep ahead of growing global adversarial threats.

The P5CTS internal subsystem is unlike traditional external training pods used on legacy 4th generation fighter aircraft.

The internal subsystem supports 5th generation and 4th generation combat training operations.

“Leonardo DRS’ unmatched ability to integrate ACMI systems onto fighter aircraft, either externally in pods, or internally in the F-35 continues to provide the warfighter the information they need to maximize the value of their training for current and future combat,” said Ezell. “Through disciplined engineering and manufacturing processes, along with in-depth understanding of the conditions ACMI systems are required to perform under, we are able deliver the vital training systems to the F-35 for these production lots, as well as future F-35 requirements.”

The air combat systems are being delivered to the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy and international partner nations.

These training systems are designed to address emerging needs for customers as global threats evolve. The P5CTS is part of the Leonardo DRS advanced sensor technology portfolio which has an extensive installed-base across the U.S. military.