

Lockheed Martin Partners with Australian Submarine Agency on Combat Systems Integration for Virginia-Class Fleet



BETHESDA, Md. – The Australian Submarine Agency (ASA) has awarded Lockheed Martin a two-year AUD\$26.5 million contract to create a sovereign Combat Systems Integration (CSI) capability for Australia's future Virginia-class submarines under the AUKUS partnership.

Australian engineers will be supported by U.S.-based Virginia-class submarine subject-matter experts, to accelerate capability development and build a sustainable, sovereign integration capability for the future force.

“Australia is building a sovereign undersea capability that will serve its national security for decades to come,” said Devon Rodgers, vice president and general manager of Undersea Mission Systems at Lockheed Martin. “We’re honored to support that effort by applying our extensive combat system integration expertise to the AUKUS alliance, supporting the technical foundation for Australia’s future nuclear-powered submarines.”

Together with the ASA, Lockheed Martin will conduct a market analysis of Australia’s supply-chain needs for the Virginia-class combat system integration effort, identifying opportunities for existing and new local suppliers to join the global supply chain and deepen industry partnerships.

The contract will add more than 20 CSI engineering jobs to support initial work in Western Australia, expanding the company’s maritime combat-systems and integrated air-and-missile-defense workforce of over 470 specialists.

“Combat systems integration is fundamental to delivering a highly advanced, secure and operationally dominant submarine fleet.” said Jeremy King, Lockheed Martin Australia and New Zealand chief executive.

“This partnership will strengthen our ability to operate seamlessly with allies and deepen the AUKUS industrial base collaboration while contributing to a secure and stable Indo-Pacific.”