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Earl Godby has been named director of the Boeing Company Ltd., Czech Republic office in Prague.

Godby, a former U.S. Air Force officer, will be responsible for day-to-day activities in working with Czech Republic defense and government officials who are conducting the Czech Republic's planned procurement of advanced fighter aircraft.

Boeing is offering the F/A-18 twin-engine strike fighter aircraft in the competition.

"My main role is ensuring that we provide the best solution to our Czech customer's needs," Godby said. "We believe that the F/A-18 is the most cost-effective aircraft system for the Czech Air Force, and that the new Boeing Company is unquestionably the best strategic partner for the Czech Republic. I look forward to this challenging assignment and the opportunity to work with the people of the Czech Republic."

Godby, a former member of the famed U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds demonstration flying team, is a Vietnam veteran and a career maintenance officer, with operational and program office experience on a variety of fighter aircraft. After 20 years in the Air Force, Godby joined the former McDonnell Douglas and has worked in a variety of product support and logistics positions.

Godby has worked on logistics campaigns on a number of international competitions, most recently in the Czech Republic, Hungary and Poland.

The F/A-18 strike fighter is the choice of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps, and the following international customers: Spain, Switzerland, Finland, Canada, Australia, Kuwait, Malaysia and Thailand.

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