Boeing Delivers 7,000th Harpoon

Boeing [NYSE: BA] officials delivered the 7,000th Harpoon missile to the Egyptian Navy at the Boeing facility in St. Charles, Mo., Tuesday. During a handover ceremony, both Boeing and U.S. Navy representatives congratulated the allied Naval service and thanked them for their support and friendship for more than 30 years.

"Harpoon is used by 27 nations, including the U.S., and is Naval Systems Command's largest international program for the last two years," said Captain David Dunaway, PMA 201 program manager for the Navy. "The timeless design of the Harpoon is evident through its successful history and viable performance in the field over the past 30 years."

"Since 1978, the U.S. and Egyptian militaries have trained together on land, in the air and at sea," said John Lockard, senior vice president and general manager of Boeing Naval Systems. "Boeing has been a part of that, having supplied the Egyptian military with products such as the Apache, Chinook, and Harpoon, as well as providing support for modernization and upgrades programs over the years. So it's only fitting that today we come together to deliver the 7,000th Harpoon Missile to our customer and ally."

The Harpoon Block II missile, which was presented to the Egyptian Navy, incorporates key guidance technologies from two other Boeing weapons programs -- the low-cost, inertial measuring unit from the Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM); and the software, mission computer, integrated GPS/Inertial Navigation System, and GPS antenna and receiver from the Standoff Land Attack Missile Expanded-Response (SLAM-ER).

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