Boeing, Turkey Complete Review of Peace Eagle Program

Boeing [NYSE: BA] and Turkey successfully completed the preliminary design review (PDR) of the airborne and ground mission system for Turkey's first 737 airborne early warning and control aircraft, known as Peace Eagle.

The PDR includes a general review of the design architecture against the requirements established by the Turkish customer.

"The next step in the process is the detailed design definition of components, parts and software to create the airborne and ground mission systems," said Mike Brewer, Boeing Peace Eagle program manager.

The \$1 billion dollar-plus contract calls for four 737 AEW&C aircraft, options for two more plus a ground support segment for mission crew training, mission support and system maintenance support.

Modifications of the first aircraft will be made in Seattle, with the other three aircraft completed by TAI in Turkey. Delivery of the first two 737 AEW&C aircraft is planned for 2007, with the other two aircraft scheduled for delivery in 2008.

The international Boeing-led team responsible for the program includes Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems and several major Turkish companies, including Aselsan, Havelsan, MSKAS, MIKES, TAI and THY.

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