Boeing Receives U.S. Air Forces Europe Aircrew Training Contract

The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] today announced it has received a $31 million U.S. Air Forces Europe (USAFE) contract to provide academic and simulator training to USAFE aircrews at six sites in the European theater. The contract follows similar awards earlier this year from the U.S. Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) and the U.S. Air Combat Command (ACC), extending the training services Boeing has provided to its customers for more than 18 years.

"The award of these three aircrew training contracts demonstrates our customer's continued confidence in the training we provide to prepare warfighters for the wide range of critical missions they are called upon to perform," said Keith Hertzenberg, Boeing vice president of Training Systems and Services. "Under the USAFE contract, Boeing will provide highly experienced aircrew instructors to ensure maximum combat readiness."

This newest contract provides training for F-15C and F-15E aircrews at Royal Air Force Station Lakenheath, United Kingdom; F-16 and A-10 aircrews at Spandahlem Air Base, Germany; and F-16 aircrews at Aviano Air Base, Italy. It also includes training for airlift, tanker and helicopter aircrews at Ramstein Air Base, Germany; Royal Air Force Station Mildenhall, United Kingdom; and Keflavik Air Base, Iceland.

Boeing has provided training to the USAFE aircrews for more than six years and is instrumental in preparing aircrews for their missions. Boeing also established the F-15C Mission Training Center (MTC) at Lakenheath in late 2005 and provided the instructors and training processes for the F-16 MTC at Spangdahlem. The MTCs enable aircrews to conduct Distributed Mission Operations training in preparation for integrated joint and coalition operations.

In June, the ACC awarded Boeing a $46 million contract to provide air combat instructor services for F-15C, F-15E, F-16 and F-22A aircraft for seven bases in the United States. In February, Boeing received an $81 million PACAF contract to provide academic and simulator training, site security and scheduling services to U.S. F-15C, F-16 and E-3 aircrews in Alaska and Japan.

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