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L-3 Link Simulation and Training F/A-18 Simulator
Declared Ready for Training by U.S. Marine Corps

ARLINGTON, Texas, December 17, 2009 – An L-3 Link Simulation & Training F/A-18C/D Tactical Operational Flight Trainer (TOFT) is providing Fighter Attack Squadron 242 at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Iwakuni, Japan with a new high fidelity flight simulation capability to help maintain aircrew mission readiness.

The simulator, which replaces an aircrew proficiency trainer, consists of two individual, networked cockpits for the pilot and weapons sensor operator. The crew station for each cockpit is housed within L-3 Link’s SimuSphere® visual display and supports single seat F/A-18C or dual seat F/A-18D training. The F/A-18C/D TOFT has a distributed training capability that allows it to be networked to other training devices.

"We are very pleased to deliver this high fidelity F/A-18 training system to the U.S. Marine Corps one month ahead of schedule," said Bob Birmingham, president for L-3 Link. "This F/A-18 TOFT will enable crews to gain simulation-based training within a realistic, interoperable and full spectrum combat training environment."

When training on the simulator aircrews are able to reinforce a full range of skills, including air-to-air and air-to-ground tactical employment; aerial refueling; carrier operations; normal and emergency procedures training; and night vision goggle operations.

The simulator is supported by L-3 Link’s combined brief/debrief system and mission operations center. This system provides pre-mission briefing and post mission after action review; full situational awareness; and monitoring and control of missions as they take place. Hornet aircrews are able to review mission objectives and their tactical performance during a simulation exercise to capture lessons learned and maximize training time.
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L-3 Link Simulation and Training, which is celebrating its 80th anniversary, is a systems integration organization that delivers and supports training systems and equipment to enhance operational proficiency. The company’s current services include conducting front-end analysis; program design; simulator design and production; field support; aircraft logistics support; training and courseware support; and air traffic control training. It has major operations in Arlington, Texas, and other key bases of operation in Binghamton, N.Y.; Orlando, Fla.; Broken Arrow, Okla.; and Phoenix, Ariz.

Headquartered in New York City, L-3 Communications employs over 65,000 people worldwide and is a prime contractor in aircraft modernization and maintenance, C3ISR (Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) systems and government services. L-3 is also a leading provider of high technology products, systems and subsystems. The company reported 2008 sales of $14.9 billion. To learn more about L-3 Communications, please visit the company’s web site at www.L-3Com.com.

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