Lockheed Martin Awarded \$30 Million Contract To Integrate Critical Army Aviation Technologies

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Lockheed Martin was awarded a \$30 million contract by the Program Executive Office (PEO) Aviation for the U.S. Army Technology Integration Center program (ATIC).

ATIC will recapture relevant Comanche technologies and establish an open architecture, system of systems, airframe-independent, system integration test bed. The program will help the U.S. Army evaluate development, test and transition of avionics, sensors and weapons.

"The ATIC program will preserve critical Comanche electro-optical technologies for further development and implementation, and facilitate rapid integration and evaluation," said Richard Russell, director of the ATIC program. "The purpose is to provide faster transition of superior technology to rotary wing forces."

The ATIC test beds will be used for modeling, maturing and transitioning technology, and enable evaluation of warfighter concepts and solutions. The program will also increase performance and commonality, and reduce the cost of helicopter mission equipment packages in future design and development.

"Lockheed Martin is committed to continue to help U.S. Army aviation explore the future of advanced mission equipment packages," said Tom Simmons, vice president of Fire Control at Lockheed Martin. "ATIC technologies will help the warfighter maintain combat superiority far into the 21st century."

Headquartered in Bethesda, MD, Lockheed Martin employs about 130,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture and integration of advanced technology systems, products and services.

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