Lockheed Martin Developing One Shot System For Snipers

Lockheed Martin received a $2 million contract from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) to develop the One Shot System, that will profile and compensate for down- range cross wind. The system will enhance the ability of snipers to hit targets over long ranges under challenging conditions.

"Winds of 5 to 10 miles per hour significantly decrease the probability of a sniper hitting a target and requiring a second attempt, which increases the sniper's own probability of detection," said Ron Rex, Lockheed Martin's One Shot program manager. "The One Shot system will solve this problem, significantly increasing operational range and hit probability, and giving our warfighters a capability that is urgently needed today."

Lockheed Martin's Akron, OH facility will develop the One Shot system under a 9-month Phase 1 contract. DARPA will then down-select a single One Shot system solution from among industry offerings for an 18-month Phase 2 contract to produce a prototype. The Akron site has a strong track record of successful innovation in the development and application of laser systems technology, including programs in shipboard and airborne infrared countermeasures, laser communications and active sensing.

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