Lockheed Martin Delivers 7,000th Q-70 Combat Computer Server System To The U.S. Navy

Latest Q-70 will be Installed on the Flagship of the U.S. Navy's Sixth Fleet

During a ceremony today, Lockheed Martin delivered the 7,000th AN/UYQ-70 (Q-70) combat computer server suite to the U.S. Navy's Command, Control, Computers, Communication and Intelligence Program Executive Office (PEO-C4I) in San Diego. The latest Q-70 system will be installed on the USS Mount Whitney (LCC 20), the flagship for the Commander, Sixth Fleet/Commander, Joint Command Lisbon/Commander, Striking Force NATO.

The latest Q-70 unit is an Integrated Shipboard Network System blade server with state-of-the-art technology that consolidates the performance of seven legacy servers into a single computing rack, saving valuable shipboard space and power. The new server supports the Navy's rapid deployment of new networking capabilities and allows for immediate transition to open architectures while also providing cost-effective protection for prior hardware and software investments.

The Q-70 also supports the Navy PEO-C4I's Early Adopter initiative by hosting applications that are migrating to the Common Computing Environment based on the Accelerated Service Model "stepping stone" to the service's Consolidated Afloat Networks and Enterprise Services (CANES) program.

"Lockheed Martin is focused on supporting the Navy's evolution to reduce infrastructure and increase capability across surface ship networks. Working with our customer, with Q-70, we have created an innovative solution for the fleet," said John Nikolai, director of Electronic Products and Logistics for Lockheed Martin's Tactical Systems business. "We're proud to provide this server in response to the evolving needs of our customer."

Lockheed Martin Q-70 servers, workstations and network systems are widely used on U.S. Navy platforms at sea and in the air, as well as on land, and in naval systems operated by Australia, Germany, Japan, Norway and Spain. The company develops total computing infrastructure designs that encompass four key elements - open system architectures, commercial technology, planned technology refresh and cross-platform commonality. Lockheed Martin is the world's largest producer of open system, Commercial Off-The-Shelf (COTS)-based computing, display, and networking equipment for military applications.

The Q-70 was the first fully-implemented standard combat computer system resource using a state-of-the-art open system architecture. Since the Q-70 program was competitively awarded in 1994, Lockheed Martin has continued to upgrade these units with open architectures and the latest commercial technologies. The use of COTS equipment in place of specialized hardware and software and a highly successful technology refresh program has saved the U.S. Navy more than $1.5 billion over 15 years.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 146,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation reported 2008 sales of $42.7 billion.

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