Lockheed Martin Supports Japanese F-2 Restoration Program

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 19, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- In cooperation with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (MHI), Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) has delivered the first F-2 aft and leading edge flaps as part of a restoration plan to replenish Japan's F-2 fleet. Eighteen Japanese F-2B fighter aircraft based at Matsushima Air Base were destroyed during a tsunami that hit the nation in March 2011.

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"We are honored to play a role in helpingJapan's F-2 fighter regain its full mission capability," saidRoderick McLean, vice president and general manager of Lockheed Martin's Integrated Fighter Group. "The delivery of the F-2 aft and leading edge flaps is a milestone accomplishment our team is privileged to contribute to Japan's restoration path. We're honored to partner with MHI to provide critical F-2 components enhancing Japan's aerial defense backbone."

The F-2 program is a joint Japan/U.S. development, production and sustainment program. MHI is the prime contractor, and Lockheed Martin is the principal U.S. subcontractor. Production began in 1996, with the first delivery in 2000.

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