

## U.S. Air Force Awards Lockheed Martin Avionics Tech Refresh Contract To Advance U-2'S Capabilities For The Future Battlespace

*Contract Underpins U-2's Role in Bridging Capabilities Needed for Next Generation Battlespace*

**palmdale, Calif., April 9, 2020** – Lockheed Martin Skunk Works® (NYSE: LMT) continues to evolve the U-2 Dragon Lady to support future battlespace needs under a recent contract award from the U.S. Air Force valued at \$50 million.

The contract includes the following upgrades to the Dragon Lady:

- An updated avionics suite that modernizes the U-2's onboard systems to readily accept and use new technology.
- A new mission computer designed to the U.S. Air Force's open mission systems (OMS) standard that enables the U-2 to integrate with systems across air, space, sea, land and cyber domains at disparate security levels.
- New, modern cockpit displays to make everyday pilot tasks easier while enhancing presentation of the data the aircraft collects to enable faster, better informed decisions.

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Under this contract, Lockheed Martin will lead the design, integration and test of the new advanced aircraft components, which will enable the U-2 to be the first fully OMS-compliant fleet. Interim fielding is anticipated to begin in mid-2021, with fleet modification expected in early 2022.

For additional information, visit our website: [www.lockheedmartin.com/u2](http://www.lockheedmartin.com/u2)

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