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MBDA to conduct the mid-life refurbishment of SCALP missiles for the Hellenic Air Force

MBDA strengthens its close relationship with Greece with a contract for mid-life refurbishment (MLR) of the SCALP missiles of the Hellenic Air Force, signed on May, 11 2023.

The contract was signed by Admiral Aristeidis Alexopoulos, General Director for Defence Investments and Armaments of the Greek [Ministry of National Defence](#), and Eric Béranger, CEO of MBDA.

This MLR contract is dedicated to the [SCALP](#) missiles of the Hellenic Air Force (HAF) and includes the procurement of mission planning products, maintenance and technical assistance. This will prolong the operational superiority of the weapon against future threats.

Eric Béranger, CEO of MBDA, stated: “The signing of this contract has a particular meaning for MBDA, coming 55 years after we signed our first-ever Exocet contract with Greece. Our commitment since then never faltered and we are very honored by this additional expression of trust from the Hellenic Air Forces towards MBDA for the mid-life refurbishment of these SCALP missiles. This is again reinforcing our commitment to continue to deliver key sovereign capabilities that provide the best solutions to meet the requirements of the Hellenic Armed Forces customer.”

The SCALP missile currently equips the Hellenic Air Force’s Mirage 2000-5 and Rafale fighter aircraft. The missiles concerned by this mid-life refurbishment were ordered as part of the original weapon package for the Mirage 2000-5. Further SCALP missiles were ordered by Greece as part of the weapon packages for the 18 Rafale ordered in 2021 and the additional six Rafale ordered in 2022.

About MBDA:

MBDA is a unique multi-national European group, a world-leader in the field of complex weapon systems, playing a key role in keeping nations safe. Created in the spirit of international co-operation, MBDA and its more than 14,000 employees work together to support the national sovereignty of France, Germany, Italy, Spain and the UK, and other allied countries worldwide. As an accelerator for innovation, MBDA is the only European group capable of designing and manufacturing complex weapons to meet the full range of current and future operational requirements of the three armed forces (land, sea and air). Airbus (37.5%), BAE Systems (37.5%) and Leonardo (25%) own MBDA.

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