

Kees Otten, Koos Heemskerck and Wim Das present the highlights of May's KADEX 2012 airshow held at Astana International Airport in Kazakhstan

The Zhetysu team of four Sukhoi Su-27 Flankers light the sky with a veritable fireworks display of flares. Around 40 Flankers are thought to serve with the Sil Vozdushnoy Oborony Respubliki Kazakhstan (Kazakhstan Air Defence Force - KADF).

Stars from KADEX



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- 1: This Antonov An-30 Clank is one of a handful operated by the Republic of Kazakhstan Government.
- 2: Also operated by the KADF is the MiG-27M Flogger-J - a limited number (believed to be fewer than ten) operate with the 604th Air Base at Taldy-Kurgan.
- 3: An Mi-26 Halo from the 612th Air Base, Taraz, departs Astana at the end of the show. Just four Halos are thought to be operational with the KADF.
- 4: Four Aero L-39s of the display team Sunkar from the 609th Air Base, Balkhash.
- 5: A heavily armed Sukhoi Su-25 Frogfoot-A from the 602nd Air Base, Chimkent. The KADF is believed to have 14 single-seat Frogfoot-As and two twin-seat Frogfoot-Bs.