

The manufacturer's impression of the advanced F-16V configuration as approved for sale to Bahrain. Lockheed Martin



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SINGAPOREAN CHINOOK SUPPORTS US HURRICANE RELIEF

A REPUBLIC OF Singapore Air Force (RSAF) CH-47 supports relief efforts in the wake of Hurricane 'Harvey' in Texas. The Chinook, from the RSAF's Peace Prairie Detachment, was delivering supplies to Logistics Support Area Brenham, Texas, on August 30, in support of Joint Task Force Harvey. The RSAF detachment, including 34

personnel, was working with the Texas Army National Guard's 372nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion to conduct external sling load resupply operations. The Peace Prairie Detachment has operated from Grand Prairie Army Aviation Support Facility, Dallas since its inauguration in May 1996.

SLOVAK BLACK HAWK ON DISPLAY

ONLY A FEW weeks after their delivery to Prešov air base, two Slovak Air Force Sikorsky UH-60Ms were present at the NATO Days event at Ostrava in the Czech Republic on September 16-17. The helicopters were delivered to Slovakia on July 6 after having arrived by sea from the US at the port of Bremerhaven in Germany a few days before.

The Slovak Air Force will receive nine UH-60Ms over the coming

years, in line with an order placed in 2015. The \$261-million deal, under the Foreign Military Sales program, includes training and spare parts for the coming two years. Presently, four aircrews are current on the type and additional crews are being trained in the US. The Slovak Air Force expects to have six Black Hawk aircrews operational by the end of 2017.

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One of the new UH-60Ms (serial 7640) for the Slovak Air Force on display at Ostrava in the Czech Republic. Arnold ten Pas