Airbus celebrates as A400M gets airborne

Airbus Military's first A400M transport took off from San Pablo airport near Seville, Spain at 10:15 local time on its historic first flight, with the aircraft expected to remain airborne for up to 3h.

Flight Global

Airbus A400M starts long-awaited maiden flight

A new European military transport plane, the Airbus A400M, took to the skies on Friday in a boost to a 20 billion euro (\$29.45 billion) project threatened by soaring costs after a two-year development delay.

Reuters

Debt limit to rise with U.S. Defense bill-Pelosi

Legislation to increase the federal debt limit got a boost on Thursday when House of Representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi said on Thursday that it would be combined with a must-pass military spending bill.

Reuters

Brazil Defence Minister: Jet Fighter Winner Will Be Named in 2010

Brazil's defense minister said Dec. 9 his government would in early 2010 choose the winner of a multibillion-dollar contract to build 36 jet fighters.

Defense News

Oshkosh Corporation Logs Additional \$175 Million U.S. Army TACOM Order to Supply 400 M-ATVs

Oshkosh Corporation has announced it has received an additional \$175 million order from the U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command Life Cycle Management Command (TACOM LCMC) to deliver 400 MRAP All Terrain Vehicles (M-ATV). Defpro

Russia's latest Bulava missile test unsuccessful

The latest test launch of an intercontinental ballistic missile in the White Sea in northern Russia ended in failure, the Defense Ministry said on Thursday.

RIA Novosti

2 GOP Defense Veterans Named to QDR Panel

A former member of Congress known for his work on aerial transport and sealift issues and a Bush administration defense policy official will be part of an independent panel that reviews the Defense Department's Quadrennial Defense Review.

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