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Navy Aviation Plan 2030

"This plan provides the investment strategy for the long range Navy Aviation recapitalization and modernization needed to support the tenets of the Maritime Strategy."

-- Rear Adm. Al Myers, Director, Air Warfare Division

Navy Aviation Plan (NAvPlan) 2030 provides for aviation capability in support of the Maritime Strategy and provides an adaptable, versatile force for the future.

Origins and goals of Navy Aviation Plan 2030

The plan was developed in a year-long analysis of the aviation portfolio. The primary goal was to create stability in the aviation portfolio, similar to the goal in Navy shipbuilding. The analysis provided insight into:

- Risks in the warfighting requirements – where the Navy can and cannot compromise across capability and capacity in each aircraft type, model and series.
- Risks associated with investments in future programs in light of the emerging threats across the globe. Through rigorous analysis, an inventory objective of 2,813 aircraft was derived to provide the minimum essential force structure to meet future warfighting requirements.
- NAvPlan 2030 delivers the minimum essential Force Structure required, at the least cost that meets our War Fighting redlines. The plan is relevant and provides an effective deterrent that supports the tenets of the Navy's Maritime Strategy.

Highlights of the Navy Aviation Plan 2030

The plan, a wing-to-wing view of each of the aviation community's requirements, follows CNO guidance and supports the Maritime Strategy:

- Roadmaps for the four major airframe categories (tactical aircraft, maritime patrol and reconnaissance, helicopters and training and logistics aircraft) – the NAvPlan 2030 calls for a 2,813 Navy aircraft inventory objective.
- Provisions for aircraft, systems and weapons improvements to maintain survivability and capability.
- Delivery of 10 Carrier Air Wings and associated capability.
- Maintaining joint interoperability.
- Mitigation of a significant USN Strike Fighter shortfall commencing in 2016.
- Meeting the requirements of continued global presence and the Fleet Response Plan.
- The NAvPlan 2030 Roadmaps will be expanded to include the tactical DoN UAVs.

Key Messages

- Naval aviation is at a crossroads. Recapitalization as planned in the NAvPlan 2030 is imperative to the future force.
- NAvPlan 2030 demonstrates continued commitment to the Joint Strike Fighter, Navy Unmanned Combat Aircraft System and a robust Airborne Electronic Attack capability.
- Navy Aviation Plan 2030 is based on a fiscally informed, rigorous analysis providing a long range recapitalization and modernization plan to support the Maritime Strategy.

Facts & Figures

- The Marine Corps aviation requirements are not included in the 2,813 aircraft floor.
- The plan reduces the total number of aircraft types from 27 in 2008 to 18 in 2030.
- In the Navy Aviation Plan 2030, the number of carrier air wings in operation remains 10 and is sustained at this level in POM-10.
- The plan procures a mix of aircraft with the goals of operational flexibility and appropriate presence.