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Saab offers Gripen to Brazil

Saab has today handed in its offer for 36 Gripen NG (Next Generation) fighter aircraft to the Brazilian Air Force.

"Gripen NG will provide a long term partnership between Brazil and Sweden in a well established fighter programme that continues to develop. Gripen will maintain its position at the cutting edge of technology for the next 30-40 years", says Saab CEO Mr. Åke Svensson

Saab will provide a strong industrial co-operation package, with positive effects on the national defence industry, such as the direct involvement in the development, production, and maintenance of the aircraft. Gripen NG will also generate transfer of key technology, which will allow full involvement in future capability development.

Gripen NG is the next generation Gripen, an enhanced version of the well established multirole fighter which has proven low acquisition, operation, and support costs. The Gripen NG programme covers development of avionics and all major sensors, including AESA radar. The aircraft will have increased thrust, increased payload, and extended range.

Background

Saab is also marketing Gripen in Switzerland, Denmark, India, The Netherlands, Bulgaria, Croatia, and Romania.

Gripen is already in service with the Swedish, Czech Republic, Hungarian, and South African Air Forces. It has also been ordered by the Royal Thai Air Force. The UK Empire Test Pilots' School (ETPS) is operating Gripen as its advanced fast jet platform for test pilots worldwide.

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