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## Hawker Beechcraft Selects CAE USA as AT-6 Ground-Based Training Systems Provider



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Hawker Beechcraft Corporation (HBC) today announced it has selected CAE USA as its ground-based training systems provider for the Beechcraft AT-6 Light Attack and Armed Reconnaissance (LAAR) aircraft. Under the teaming agreement, CAE USA will support HBC's global pursuit campaigns of the AT-6 aircraft. CAE USA, a leading provider of simulation and training systems, will provide a comprehensive ground-based training system as part of an expected AT-6 aircraft sale. HBC has the AT-6 on display at the Royal International Air Tattoo and Farnborough International Airshow in the United Kingdom.

"We selected CAE USA for its recognized training systems integration expertise, simulation technology leadership and its willingness to actively participate with our team of partners to deliver a comprehensive and integrated AT-6 training system," said Jim Maslowski, HBC president, U.S. and International Government Business.

CAE USA will lead the design and development of a comprehensive ground-based training system, including aircrew and maintenance technician training solutions for the AT-6 platform. CAE's responsibilities will include training system design and analysis, design and manufacture of synthetic training equipment, courseware development, classroom and simulator instruction, and training support services. CAE USA will also develop embedded aircraft simulation solutions for the AT-6 and other T-6 aircraft variants.

"We are delighted that Hawker Beechcraft has selected CAE USA as its training partner for the AT-6 aircraft program," said John Lenyo, President and General Manager, CAE USA. "The ground-based training system is an important piece of the overall mission capability for a combat aircraft and CAE's experience and expertise will play a key role in the comprehensive offering of the high-performing and versatile AT-6 aircraft."

The AT-6 incorporates the very best of proven training and close air support capability to meet expected LAAR requirements. The aircraft covers a wide mission spectrum that includes training, manned Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance and light precision attack, while also offering non-traditional capabilities for Homeland Defense and Civil Support missions. The AT-6 has tremendous commonality between the U.S. Air Force T-6A and the U.S. Navy T-6B.

CAE is a world leader in providing simulation and modeling technologies and integrated training solutions for the civil aviation industry and defense forces around the globe. With annual revenues exceeding US\$1.4 billion, CAE employs more than 7,000 people at more than 90 sites and training locations in 20 countries. CAE has the largest installed base of civil and military full-flight simulators and training devices. Through CAE's global network of 29 civil aviation and military training centers, the company trains more than 75,000 crewmembers yearly. CAE also offers modeling and simulation software to various market segments and, through CAE's professional services division, the company assists customers with a wide range of simulation-based needs. For more information, visit [www.cae.com](http://www.cae.com).

Hawker Beechcraft Corporation is a world-leading manufacturer of business, special mission and trainer aircraft – designing, marketing and supporting aviation products and services for businesses, governments and individuals worldwide. The company's headquarters and major facilities are located in Wichita, Kan., with operations in Salina, Kan.; Little Rock, Ark.; Chester, England, U.K.; and Chihuahua, Mexico. The company leads the industry with a global network of more than 100 factory-owned and authorized service centers. For more information, visit [www.hawkerbeechcraft.com](http://www.hawkerbeechcraft.com).

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