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Raytheon Australia Wins Aerospace Operational Support Group Aircraft Maintenance Contract

RAAF Base Edinburgh – 26 October 2009: Raytheon Australia Managing Director, Michael Ward, today announced that a contract had been signed for the provision of aircraft maintenance support services to the Australian Defence Force’s Aerospace Operational Support Group (AOSG).

The contract was signed in a ceremony at RAAF Base Edinburgh today by AVM Mark Skidmore, Air Commander Australia and Raytheon Australia’s Managing Director, Michael Ward.

The scope of the contract includes aircraft maintenance, armament support, electrical and mechanical component manufacture as well as non-standard modification for the AOSG fleet of Hornet, Blackhawk and PC-9 Aircraft.

Mr Ward said “This successful re-compete of the Aircraft Research and Development Unit (ARDU) contract which Raytheon Australia has held for the past 10 years continues our tradition of providing high quality and dependable aircraft maintenance services to the Australian Defence Force.

“The contract requires many specialised skill sets including avionics, aircraft, armament and life support technicians, ground support equipment and manufacturing specialists, logistics, governance, and project management. Many of the existing staff will continue service from the original ARDU contract inception, continuing their 10 years of dedicated service to ARDU and AOSG.

“This important contract win reaffirms our position as the leading provider of avionics maintenance and engineering services to the ADF across multiple aircraft platforms” Mr Ward said.

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