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**£1bn Royal Navy destroyer aborts Gulf mission after breakdown**

(RT)

The ship will join the Royal Navy's five other destroyers, all built by BAE Systems and Rolls-Royce, which remain stuck in Portsmouth because of maintenance issues, a shortage of sailors and engine problems. This leaves UK incapable of fulfilling its commitment to NATO allies in the Gulf as there's ...

**MoD recruits more civilians as Royal Marines face axe**

(The Times)

While under pressure to cut civil servants, the MoD faces a challenge because it needs sufficient numbers of staff in key commercial posts in DE&S

**Babcock stumbles as investors retreat from defense industry**

(The Times)

Babcock stumbles as investors retreat from defense industry ... high barriers to entry meant that it could "generate sustainable **growth** regardless of any ...

**Leonardo delivers first AW101 helicopter to RNoAF**

(Airforce Technology)

"This contract is very much a long-term partnership, consisting of industry, the Ministry of Justice and Public Security, the Royal Norwegian Air Force, and the Norwegian Defense Materiel Agency, which has a common goal to deliver a SAR service second to none." Powered by three engines, the AW101

**Lockheed Martin Wins \$22.7 Million for Services in Support of Saudi Arabia's LCS Program**

(Defenseworld.net)

**Lockheed Martin** has won \$22.7 million modification contract to exercise an option for class services in support of Littoral Combat Ship program for Saudi Arabia. Work is expected to be completed by July 2018, US Department of Defense said in a statement Wednesday. In May this year, Saudi Arabia

### **I/ITSEC 2017: British Army explores augmented reality**

(Shephard Media)

As augmented reality (AR) **technology** gathers traction the British Army hosted a demonstration last month to show its capabilities in training forward ...

### **Saudi Arabia to buy \$7bn-worth of US precision weapons from Raytheon & Boeing – report**

(RT)

Raytheon and Boeing are the two defense contractors selected to produce precision-guided munitions for the Saudi Arabian military, Reuters reported on Thursday, citing sources familiar with the matter. The deal is part of the giant \$110-billion weapons agreement inked by Trump and the Saudi king

### **Kuwait to receive Thales turret and surveillance system solution for armoured vehicles**

(Asian Military Review )

**Thales** has recently led the complex integration of a remotely operated turret and surveillance system for use on eight Kuwait armoured patrol vehicles

### **Lessons from Zapad – jamming, NATO and the future of Belarus**

(Defense News)

Col. Kaupo Rosin, Estonia's head of military intelligence, laid out his big takeaways from Zapad during a November interview with Defense News

### **French military will have the 'active digital map of the 21st century'**

(Defense News)

A five-strong consortium has won the 10-year Sysnav contract, a key element in an information system designed to provide an active digital map for the French services

### **Turkey sets timetable for critical phase of its fighter jet program**

(Defense News)

An official from Turkish Aerospace Industries, the prime local contractor for the TF-X program,