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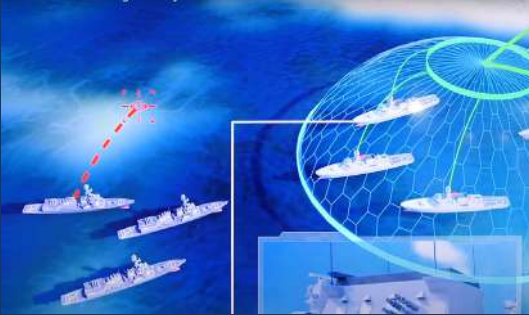
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## Pairing the Turkish KAANs with the American F-35s is possible

Recent indicators suggest that Turkey has developed a heightened seriousness toward its leading-edge, fifth-generation fighter project, the KAAN. However, there is still uncertainty regarding whether Turkey will resume its participation in the F-35 development project, and subsequently, proceed with its acquisition

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## ADVENT Combat Management System At DIMDEX 2024

Turkish defense company Havelsan was showcasing its ADVENT combat management system (CMS) at DIMDEX 2024 in Doha, Qatar. The system will be fitted aboard a new class of Fast Attack Craft (FAC) built by Dearsan shipyard for the Qatar Emiri Naval Forces.

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## Baykar tests new munitions on Akinci drone, sells UAVs to Maldives

Baykar, the manufacturer of Bayraktar Akinci unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), has revealed in twin announcements a new weapons integration trial for its Akinci UAV, while also committing to the provision of a number of TB2 platforms to the Maldives.

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## TCG Istanbul fires Hisar-D missile from Midlas VLS

The Turkish Navy performed its first Hisar-D missile launch from the Midlas vertical launch system (VLS) installed onboard the TCG Istanbul in the second week of March. The event marked the first launch from the indigenous VLS on the high seas. The frigate was observed sailing northbound through the Bosphorus Strait to the test site on 2 March.

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## South Africa Sees 'Miraculous' Rise in Defence Exports

South African defence exports for 2023 are set to 'greatly exceed' those of the previous year, according to the Aerospace, Maritime and Defence Industries Association (AMD). This 'miraculous' increase in exports of defence equipment seems to coincide with a global rise in defence spending, driven in large part by the paranoia that the Ukraine/Russia war has sparked.

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## Mozambique Cabinet ratifies deal with Turkey defence agency for equipment supply

The defence industries of Turkey and Mozambique will start cooperating, including the supply of Turkish equipment, according to an agreement between the two governments to which Lusa had access on Tuesday. "The objective is to establish cooperation in the area of defence industry between the parties, improving capabilities through more effective cooperation in the areas of development, production, acquisition, maintenance of defence goods and services and relevant technical and logistical support," reads the text of the Defence Industry Cooperation Agreement between the governments of the two countries.

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## Aselsan Unveils DÜFAS Variable Depth Sonar System

According to Aselsan, the DÜFAS System stands as a pinnacle of innovation, meticulously crafted to address the exacting needs of the Turkish Naval Forces Command. Developed domestically under the Turkish Defence Agency (SSB), DÜFAS represents a groundbreaking leap in maritime defense technology.

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## ASD statement on European Defence Industrial Strategy (EDIS) and European Defence Investment Programme (EDIP)

The European Commission published the new Defense Industrial Strategy (EDIS) and the European Defense Investment Fund (EDIP) report on 5 March 2024. In a subsequent declaration, ASD expressed its satisfaction with the Commission's emphasis on the European defense industry and support for defense readiness.

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## ASD presents policy recommendations for EU political cycle 2024–2029

The 9th ASD published a manifesto outlining its policy proposals for the next 5-year mandate of the EU institutions (2024-2029). The manifesto basically states that the new Commission, which will be established after the EU elections in June, is critical and that security issues should be comprehensively addressed along with green and digital transformation decisions.

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