



**MEDIA ADVISORY
FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2005 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM**

Interview, Video and Photo Opportunity

C-27J SPARTAN TAKES FLIGHT IN OMAHA, NEBRASKA

**Global Military Aircraft Systems Showcases the C-27J Spartan, the
"No Compromise" True Military, Medium Tactical Transport Aircraft
at Eppley Airfield**

WHO: Global Military Aircraft Systems (GMAS), a joint venture of Finmeccanica's Alenia North America, Inc. and L-3 Integrated Systems (L-3 IS), a subsidiary of L-3 Communications, will showcase the C-27J Spartan aircraft at Eppley Airfield in Omaha, Nebraska. The C-27J is considered the industry's leading medium lift cargo aircraft, providing superior performance and best value to the armed forces of the world. The C-27J demonstration in Omaha is part of a 6-city U.S. tour to demonstrate the aircraft's capabilities in the U.S.

WHAT: GMAS is offering the C-27J Spartan as the solution for the U.S. Army's Future Cargo Aircraft (FCA) program. The FCA program is a key component in the Army's transformation of its fixed wing fleet which calls for the procurement of a new fleet of cargo fixed wing aircraft. To support the future force, the FCA must be a multifunctional and interoperable aircraft, able to perform logistical re-supply, medevac, troop movement, airdrop operations, humanitarian assistance, and missions in support of Homeland Security.

WHERE: Eppley Airfield, Elliot Aviation Omaha, Nebraska Elliott is located on the East side of Eppley Airfield in Omaha just off Abbott Drive on to Locust.

WHEN: Friday, May 20, 2005
Technical Briefings and Flight Demonstration:
9:30 am -- 12:00 pm

RSVP: Due to airfield security requirements please RSVP to Ms. Rebecca Phelps at 202-293-3433 by COB May 19, 2005 to secure access to the air field. All attendees must provide media credentials and a valid driver's license or state identification card in advance. You will be asked to verify identification upon arrival.

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