

Feature Story

Boeing and Leidos partner on Australian Defence SATCOM System solution

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Boeing Defence Australia (BDA) has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with Leidos Australia to develop a solution for the Commonwealth of Australia's Joint Project 9102 for the Australian Defence Satellite Communications System.

This agreement will see Leidos Australia join the Boeing JP9012 industry team to collaboratively develop a uniquely Australian solution that will build in-country capability and demand for high-value skills in the local space industry.

“Boeing is committed to providing a low-risk sovereign solution to the Australian Defence Force that is flexible, resilient and agile,” says Scott Carpendale, BDA vice president and managing director. “To deliver this, we are partnering with strong Australian businesses, like Leidos Australia, who offer best-in-class capability here in country.”

Under the agreement, Leidos will provide cyber, security and network integration services and software development environments and cyber test ranges for BDA's solution to JP9102.

“Leidos Australia is excited to collaborate with BDA to offer a resilient and effective solution for JP9102, the Australian Defence Satellite Communications System”, said Paul Chase, chief executive for Leidos Australia. “As always, our local team of 1300 engineering personnel are committed to helping the Australian Defence Force deliver their mission”.

Boeing's presence in Australia is the company's largest international footprint, with more than 3,800 employees across the country and capabilities spanning advanced manufacturing of commercial aircraft composite components, defence systems design and development, modelling and simulation, research and development, support and training, and unmanned systems.

Boeing's goal is to be a leader in Australia's space industry just as it is globally. Boeing Australia is building on its heritage in the Australian space industry by continuing to make strategic research and development investments that support the Australian Space Agency and the Australian Defence Force in its efforts to expand its space-based and space-enabled capabilities.

With 20 years of local experience, Leidos Australia is working to solve the world's toughest challenges in government, defence, intelligence, border protection, and health markets. We have

more than 1,400 local experts, backed by our global experience and network of partners, Leidos Australia delivers solutions that help secure Australia.