

## The Path to Next Generation Rotorcraft Capability

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- Black Hawk<sup>®</sup>: The World's Preeminent Military Multipurpose Helicopter
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- Conclusion: Sikorsky Committed to Delivering Today's and Tomorrow's Capabilities



### **Black Hawk®: The World's Preeminent Military Helicopter**



The first choice for tactical helicopter operations worldwide now and into the future



# Changes in the Vertical Lift Maneuver Operational Environment



### Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> Modernization CONDUCTS AVIATION SUPPORT:

Division Utility Support, Mission Command on the Move, Security/Recon OV-1 (ARMY 2040+)



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### Why Is Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> Right for Today's Missions?



### Core Capabilities

- Air Assault and Troop Transport
- External Lift / Sling Load
- Self-Deploy: Crashworthy External Fuel System
- Enablers: Helmet Mounted Display, RNAV, ADSB-Out, Aircraft Survivability Equipment, etc.

### NATO and US Army Aviation Capability Needs

- Interoperable: Communications & Navigation; Logistics (Consumables, Maintenance, Parts)
- Survivability: Hard Landings & Spectrum of Airborne Threats
- Multiple Mission Versatility: Transport, Armed, Casualty Evacuation, Fire Fighting, VIP & Head of State

#### Overmatch

- Unparalleled Performance and Range Options: Troop Transport, Fuel, Weaponization, etc.
- Tailorable Utility: Capable of Adding Unique Mission Systems Through Foreign Military Sales or Direct Commercial Sales
- Survivability and Safety: Complete The Mission And Bring The Crew And Passengers Home Safely

### Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> = Survivable, Multi-Mission Capabilities Across NATO and Worldwide

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**UH-60M** 



S-70 FIREHAWK®

Highest FMS Demand in Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> History 2022-2024 During Multiyear X

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### **Armed Black Hawk®**

### Wings

Multiple Proven Light 1 or 2 Hardpoint Armament Wings or Multi-Purpose Wings (Fuel Tanks and/or Armed Payloads)

### **Electro-Optical Sight**

Multiple Proven Options with/without Laser Range Finder / Designator

#### **Helmet Mounted Display**

Multiple Proven Options with Flight Symbology, Night Vision, and Targeting Information

#### **Non-Precision Fixed Forward Weaponry**

Multiple Proven .50 Caliber Guns and 2.75" Unguided Rockets





#### **Precision Weapons**

Armed Precision Kill Weapon System (APKWS) and Hellfire

#### **Door Guns**

Multiple Proven Multiple 7.62mm Options; Flex Fire (Fixed Forward or Traversable)

### **Survivability Equipment**

**Multiple Proven Options** 



# **Modernized Black Hawk®**



# Why Is a Common Modernization Path for Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> Important?

- Improve Core Capabilities
  - Air Assault and Troop Transport
  - External Lift
  - Reconnaissance & Security
  - Self-Deploy

#### Capitalize on NATO and US Army Capability Gaps

- Launched Effects
- Reconnaissance, Security, and Target Acquisition (RSTA)
- Mission Versatility: Transport, Armed, Casualty Evacuation, Fire Fighting...

#### Provide Overmatch Capabilities

- Improved Performance and Range
- Versatility
- MOSA: Rapid Integration for Mission Systems
- Improved Survivability and Safety





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### **Black Hawk® Modernization Path**

#### Near-Term Targeted Modernization

- Multiyear XI Procurement Opportunity to Begin Modernization
- Science & Technology Priorities: ITE, MOSA, and Launched Effects

### Long-term Modernization for Army beyond 2040

- Cabin Optimization
- Support of Launched Effects
- Integrate MOSA Digital Backbone
- Continue to Evolve Fly-By-Wire to Address Survivability (DVE)

### • Benefits to the US Army & Foreign Military Sales

- Highly Common & Fully Integrated with FVL & SoF Fleets
- Supports JADO: Reach, Lethality, Survivability & Sustainability
- Common Path to Drivetrain and Airframe Improvements, Digital Backbone, MOSA, Fly-By-Wire, DVE Mitigation, Increased Survivability, Modernized

### Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> Will Remain Modernized & Relevant Through 2070



# **Next Gen Capabilities**





### Modernized Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> & X2 NGRC with ITE & DVE Mitigation Speed in Low Altitude Flight - Reduces Threat Exposure



Increased Speed while at Nap of Earth Flight Decreases Detection



### Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> & X2 NGRC Designed for Battlefield Connectivity



#### F-35 HIGH ALTITUDE AIR DOMAIN

- Precision Targeting
- Survivability in Highly Contested Air Space
- Fused Battlespace Awareness
- Sensor and Shooter
- Secure Communications
- Flexible, Evolving Architecture

#### LOW ALTITUDE AIR DOMAIN

### Network Centrix Command on the Move



Sikorsky Technology Maturation Enables Success in the Future Operating Environment

Joint All Domain Operations (JADO)

Air Launched Effects (ALE)

Speed

Maneuverability

Endurance

Autonomy

Open System Architecture



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### **Sikorsky Technology Maturation**









Digital Engineering Modeling Based Systems Engineering

Next Gen Prototypes

100 Years of Sikorsky Innovation Developing and Maturing Rotorcraft Technology



### **Next Gen Sustainment**



Lifecycle Digital Thread

Additive Manufacturing

Big Data & Analytics Condition Based Maintenance

Increased Readiness and Maintenance Free Operating Periods



### **NATO – Next Generation Rotorcraft Capability**

#### NATO Studies

- NIAG Rotorcraft Survivability (2020) .
- NIAG Joint All Domain Operations (2021) ٠
- NGRC Open System Architecture (2023)
- NGRC Integrated Platform Concepts (2024)

Program

Launch

2021

NGRC CONOPS Study

2023

2022

NIAG – Rotorcraft Modularity (2024) ٠

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2020



### **NATO – Next Generation Rotorcraft Capability**





**Transport & Support** 

#### Multi-Role Configuration Enables Mission Flexibility within NATO NGRC ConOps



### **Conclusions**

- Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> Relevant Today Through 2070
- Highest Ever Demand for FMS UH-60M & Sikorsky Commitment to International Customers
- Next Generation Enabling Technologies Successfully Demonstrated by Sikorsky
- Black Hawk<sup>®</sup> Modernization Will Share Next Generation Operational Capability with NGRC
- Increasing International Interest in X2<sup>®</sup> Next Generation Rotorcraft Technology
- Sikorsky Next Generation Enabling Technologies Compatible with Purpose Built NGRC





### Sikorsky is the Choice for Delivering Next Gen Vertical Lift Technologies Now & Into the Future



