

## **New Contract Notification**

Hampson Industries PLC (“Hampson” or “the Group”), the International aerospace and precision engineering group, announces that its US subsidiary, Texstars Inc, has received a substantial contract award from the U. S. Department of the Air force. Texstars is a member of the Group’s Aerospace Composites & Transparencies division.

The notification is of 5 year contract award to supply 100% of the requirement for F-16 canopies, including both US and foreign military spares requirements over its five year term.

In service with 24 countries, the multi-role Lockheed Martin F-16 is the highest volume military fighter programme in the World with over 4,000 aircraft produced to date. It is scheduled to remain in service with the U.S. Air Force until 2025.

Commenting on the new contract, Chief Executive Kim Ward said:

“Texstars has long been an acknowledged technology leader in high performance military canopies, having achieved a number of important technical firsts, particularly as they relate to the F-16 and other technically demanding US military programmes.

“Previous contracts to supply F-16 canopies have been awarded on annual basis, often with requirements spilt between more than one supplier. This intended award not only attests to the confidence placed in Texstars by its customer, the US Air Force, but underpins our confidence in the future strategic growth of our Composites & Transparencies division.”

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