MOD announces \$300m To boost Puma power<br/>
The RAF's fleet of Puma helicopters will receive a \$300M upgrade that will enhance performance and enable it to operate in the toughest and most demanding conditions the MoD has announced.<br/>
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