

Revealed: the £130bn cost of Trident replacement

The combined cost of replacing the Trident nuclear missile system and building, equipping and running two large aircraft carriers will be as much as £130bn, an in-depth study of the huge defence projects will reveal.

The Guardian

Babcock set to buy UKAEA for £50m

The UK government has agreed to sell the UK Atomic Energy Authority, its commercial nuclear clean-up business, to Babcock International for £50m.

Financial Times

MoD announces Independent Chair of Armed Forces Compensation Scheme review

Admiral The Lord Boyce GCB, OBE, DL, a former Chief of the Defence Staff has been chosen as the Independent Chair of the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) Review, the MoD has announced

MoD Press Release

New U.S. missile shield has four phases

The new, adaptive missile defense system in Europe that U.S. President Barack Obama announced Thursday is divided into four phases. The decision to shift to the phased system was based on an assessment that Iran's long-range missile program isn't progressing as quickly as once thought.

UPI

Army chief General Sir David Richards says ships and jets no longer the answer

To cope with emerging new threats, Britain's armed forces must be equipped with smarter weapons and rely less on traditional ones such as tanks, fast jets and surface ships, the new head of the army said

The Guardian

China rejects US military fears

China has described criticism of its military growth strategy by the United States as groundless and irresponsible. A defence ministry spokesman in Beijing said that China's military development is defensive, and a force for peace.

BBC News