

Defence sector loses ground as Footsie falls from year high

Aerospace and defence stocks were under pressure yesterday as the FTSE 100 slipped from its 2009 high.

Financial Times

Russia in talks on buying French warship

Russia is discussing the purchase of a French Mistral-class amphibious assault ship worth between 300 and 400 million euros (\$430-580 mln), a high-ranking source close to the talks said Tuesday.

RIA Novosti

LCS Bids Submitted to U.S. Navy

Bids to build the next Littoral Combat Ships (LCS) have been submitted by both industry teams to the U.S. Navy. Lockheed Martin announced its proposal was sent to the Navy on July 31, and rival General Dynamics confirmed its plans were sent in by the Aug. 3 deadline.

Defense News

Army vehicles 'held up in Dubai'

Nine heavily-armoured vehicles for UK troops in Afghanistan were stranded in Dubai because of a lack of transport planes, the Conservatives have claimed.

BBC News

MoD forced me to tell lies, claims press officer

A military press officer is suing the Ministry of Defence and claiming that he was forced to tell "government lies" to the families of British soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Guardian