



MI-28NE HELICOPTER TO TAKE PART IN MAKS-2017 FLIGHT PROGRAM FOR 1ST TIME

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The Mi-28NE Night Hunter modern attack helicopter will for the first time take part in the flight program of the 13th International Aviation and Space Salon MAKS, which kicked off earlier in the day in Zhukovskiy, near to Moscow, the Russian Helicopters company said in a press release on Tuesday.

The Mi-28NE is the export version of the ordinary Night Hunter and Mi-28UB helicopters, it was designed for the Russian Aerospace Forces, and received its mass production launch at Russia's Rostvertol plant in 2016.

"The Mi-28NE attack helicopter will for the first time take part in the flight program of MAKS-2017. The machine will take part in group flights and solo flight during all six days of the exhibition. Approximate time of each solo flight of Mi-28NE will amount to eight minutes," the press release said.

The main difference between Mi-28NE, Mi-28UB and the classic Night Hunter is the dual control system, which allows piloting the machine both from the cockpit of the pilot-commander of the

crew and from the cockpit of the pilot-operator. Thus, along with the main attack function, the new helicopter can fulfill the tasks of training.

Mi-28NE is a highly effective new-generation helicopter, designed for combat missions in any circumstances. The helicopter was created for such perilous missions, to take part in operations against tanks, infantry combat vehicles, and armored personnel carriers, among other targets.

Besides the Mi-28NE, Rosvertol will present Mi-35M and Mi26T2 military helicopters at MAKS-2017.

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