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Royal Netherlands Airforce - 306 Squadron and NL EASP AIR sign trainee contract



5 December 2018, the 306 Squadron (Royal Netherlands Air Force) and NL EASP AIR signed the first Collaboration Agreement for Internships onboard of the NL EASP AIR Dornier DO328's that are deployed in Maritime Surveillance and ISR missions.

The internships are meant for Sensor Operators of the new MQ-9 Reaper system and offer additional training possibilities in the field of navigation and operation of surveillance sensors and systems.

Pieter Voeten (Director of Operations NL EASP AIR): *"I see a clear win-win situation for everyone involved. In essence, there are significant similarities in types of systems and operations. In remote and autonomous operations we are confronted with the same kind of challenges in the area of C2, Flight Watch and data transmission"*.

The Commander 306 Lt-Kol Boudewijn Roddenhof adds *"This collaboration gives us the opportunity to look into the technical and operational kitchen of civil operators. They are working with other types of sensors and other operational concepts. Not only can we share knowledge and experience; it also provides our Sensor Operators a hands on experience while we await our MQ-9 Reapers"*.

The Collaboration is implemented with immediate effect.