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## GA-UK to Provide MOD With Dedicated Support for Remotely Piloted Air Systems

**SAN DIEGO – 31 March 2011** – General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc. (GA–ASI), a leading manufacturer of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), tactical reconnaissance radars, and surveillance systems, today announced that General Atomics Aeronautical Systems UK Ltd (GA-UK), an affiliated entity, has been established with an office in London. The office will be managed by Dr. Jonny King.

"We are pleased that the London office will provide dedicated support for the Ministry of Defence's [MoD's] Remotely Piloted Air Systems [RPAS] requirements," said Neal Blue, Chairman and CEO of GA-ASI.

GA-ASI has delivered a total of six aircraft to the MoD since the first UK Predator® B/ MQ-9 Reaper UAS was deployed to Afghanistan in October 2007, with the fleet expected to nearly double in size over the next few years. The aircraft have logged over 17,000 flight hours to date in support of UK forces on the ground.

## **About GA-ASI**

General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc., an affiliate of General Atomics, delivers situational awareness by providing unmanned aircraft, radar, and electro-optic solutions for military and commercial applications worldwide. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.ga-asi.com">www.ga-asi.com</a>.

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