

Summary of Mr Ferreira's evidence

Mr Johan Ferreira is currently a senior manager and a Programme Manager of the Hawk Programme. He was in the employ of Armscor before and during the acquisition of the Strategic Defence Packages. In his testimony, and to put matters relating to the acquisition of the aircraft in their proper context, he will rehash what other witnesses have already testified to namely the evolution of the fighter strategy of the SAAF, the rationale for embarking on the acquisition of the Advanced Fighter Trainer (AFT) and processes that ensued in relation thereto, for example the evaluation process of the requests for information leading to the shortlist, the reason to delay the project and changes from a 2-tier to a three tier system.

In relation to the Advanced Light Fighter Aircraft (ALFA), he will give a detailed account of how the ALFA programme came into being, the issuance of the requests for information, the value system against which the responses were evaluated. He will give insight into the evaluation of the responses received pursuant to the request for offers for the ALFA programme. He will delve on the technical evaluation process, the value system and the evaluation scores of each of the contenders. He will deal with the Supply Terms Contract for the supply of the Gripen and changes made thereto in the late 2000s.

Mr Ferreira will also focus on the mandate, functions and powers of the the Integrated Project Teams, the Strategic Offers Committee and the International Offers Negotiating Team.

In respect of the Lead-in-Fighter Trainer (LIFT) he will, among other things, explain what the LIFT system consists of; the value system used by Armscor to choose the aircraft and the supplier, its purpose and the results of the evaluation process that followed the assessment of the responses received pursuant to the requests for information; the cost analysis conducted; the RFO value system for the LIFT and military value; the RFO evaluation results; the negotiations of the supply terms and the conditions of the LIFT acquisition with the preferred supplier and trade-off studies conducted.