SINGAPORE AIRSHOW 2016 HIGHLIGHTS

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This year's Singapore Airshow came to a close on Sunday (Feb 21) after drawing more than 80,000 public visitors over the past two days.

The first day the show opened to the public saw about 40,000 visitors.

Dropping by to see the hardware on display was President Tony Tan Keng Yam, Emeritus Senior Minister Goh Chok Tong and Deputy Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean.

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ESM Goh Chok Tong goes behind the cockpit of an RSAF F-15. (Photo: Loke Kok Fai)

Describing aviation as "an industry of the future", Mr Teo said the biennial airshow continues to play an important role in Singapore's goal to become an aviation hub.

"It's an opportunity for Singaporeans themselves to come and look at what that future is - both in commercial aviation, in the industry and as well as in defence," he said. "And I'm very happy that it also provides a platform for companies from around the world and our friends from around the world to come here and make connections."

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A visitor watches a Singapore F15SG perform a "SAM Weave". (Photo: Ngau Kai Yan)

Visitors on Sunday were treated to the sight of the massive B-52 Stratofortress, while aerobatic displays by South Korea's Black Eagles (ROKAF) and the Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) continued to wow the crowd.

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The ROKAF Black Eagles wow the crowd. (Photo: Ngau Kai Yan)

The Airshow, which opened to traders on Feb 16, also saw 11 deals worth US$12.7 billion (S$17.9 billion) sealed, down from the 20 deals worth US$32 billion sealed in the previous edition.

Children play under a RSAF plane. (Photo: Loke Kok Fai)

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The view from the cockpit of a C17 on display at the Airshow. (Photo: Ngau Kai Yan)

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ROKAF Black Eagles during an aerial display. Pilots from the Black Eagles must clock a minimal of 800 flight hours to be eligible for selection into the elite squad. (Photo: Ngau Kai Yan)

A demonstration of drones during the Singapore Airshow 2016. (Photo: Loke Kok Fai)

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