KUWAIT AGREES TO BUY 28 EUROFIGHTER TYPHOONS

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Kuwait has agreed to buy **28 Eurofighter Typhoons** in a deal agreed with the Italian government. In a short press statement, Eurofighter provided no details as to when the aircraft will be delivered and what configuration and equipment they will have. However, a spokesman for the four-nation consortium (Italy, Germany, the UK and Spain), confirmed that additional details reported by *Defense News* on the basis of unnamed industry sources are correct. This report stated that Kuwait will buy 22 single-seat and six twin-seat Typhoons and that it might chose to become the first export customer for the new active electronically scanned array radar being developed for the fighter by Italian electronics group Selex.

“This new agreement is the confirmation of the superiority of the Eurofighter over its competitors and will provide a great opportunity for further Eurofighter orders,” commented Eurofighter CEO Alberto Gutierrez. “We are delighted to welcome Kuwait as the newest member of our Eurofighter Typhoon family. The Eurofighter is already proven and trusted by six nations to perform in all operational environments.”

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The agreement with Kuwait means that the Typhoon program is now backed by commitments for a total of 599 aircraft. Since service entry in late 2003, 444 of the aircraft have been delivered to six nations: Germany, the UK, Italy, Spain, Austria and Saudi Arabia. In December 2012, Oman ordered 12 Typhoons.

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