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John and Pete,

Confirming the information passed on in my call last week to the AIR6000 office, I got a heads up from a buddy in the USA to say the following:

1. People in the Pentagon, particularly in SAF(IA), are of the opinion that AIR6000 has been shut down. It appears the News Brief they saw in the States on Australia's decision to join the SDD Phase of the JSF Program led to them drawing this conclusion (perception, or whatever one wants to call it).
2. As a result, they are of the belief that Australia (particularly you folks) don't want to see the briefing material on the F-22 that had been prepared by the LM and the F-22 Program Office and approved for release in response to the AIR6000 RFI. Therefore, there is not intention, at this stage, to send it.

I gathered from my discussion with Mark last week that this is not the case, so I figured you needed to know what we are being told by our friends across the pond.

However, if this does become the situation (in this changing environment we call Defence), could you please let us know as soon as possible since our group and its members will need to re-jig their business planning in this regard.

Also, Pete, have received a response from our friends in P&W on propulsion system modelling, so when you get a moment, give me a call to discuss.

Best regards,

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