



# CC-Air Ramstein

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## Press Release

### CC-AIR HQ now with Jet display



**Ramstein (ang).** After moving into its new HQ building just over one year ago, CC-Air HQ Ramstein has now received a fighter jet mock-up installed on the premises. Presented in a typical flying display in front of the building, the F-16-type jet comes from the Royal Netherlands Air Force (RNLAf) inventory and was procured thanks to contacts by former CC-Air Chief of Staff, Major General Leo van den Born.

It was not an easy job to create the preconditions for setting up the F-16 body, which of course came without engine, electronics or other interior systems. The easiest part was to find a suitable space and arrange for the structural prerequisites. A foundation was built with a plinth to support the jet. Once the issue of future ownership of the aircraft was solved – the F-16 is on loan from the Netherlands Ministry of Defence to NATO and remains property of the Netherlands – implementation of the display commenced.

The aircraft from the first F-16 production series had initially been used by the RNLAf at Leeuwarden Air Base. Subsequently it was transferred to Tucson (US), where it served as a trainer aircraft for Dutch pilots, flown under US National Guard command for legal reasons. Later on it returned to Leeuwarden, where it was used for training as a technical instructional air frame. The jet has now found a more dignified place on display on the CC-Air HQ Ramstein premises.



Photos depict the assembly, mounting and handover of the F-16 outside the CC-AIR HQ Ramstein building.

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