

Russian Air Force Receives First New MiG-35 Fighters

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Russia's Air Force has received its first delivery of two MiG-35 fighter jets, the corporation that manufactures the jets has said.

Air Force commander-in-chief Viktor Bondarev in 2017 [announced](#) the Defense Ministry's plans to replace its entire fleet of light fighters with the MiG-35, a modernized version of the ship-based MiG-29K fighters which Russia has [used](#) in Syria.

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"The first two aircraft have already been transferred to the Air Force for testing," Ilya Tarasenko, general director of MiG, [told](#) the state-run RIA Novosti news agency on Monday.

The remaining four planes will be delivered by the end of the year, Tarasenko said. MiG expects to sign a new contract with the Defense Ministry for the planes, he added.

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