ALQ-500P ESM/ECM
AIRBORNE POD

The ALQ-500P represents the latest generation ESM/ECM airborne pod from Indra, based on our proven wide-band DRFM enabling the generation of the most modern electronic countermeasure techniques

Multi-threat capability with library programmed techniques

Mission

The ALQ-500P belongs to the latest generation of airborne radar-band warning and countermeasure subsystems based on the development of high-speed digitization techniques with respect to its analogue predecessors. This new system benefits from all the “know-how” gained up to now in the field of ESM/ECM systems as well as in the advances made in fast digitization and signal digital processing.

From the beginning of its conception, the design has considered current and future trends of NATO countries regarding radar band ESM/ECM systems and their interfaces with other systems.

As fundamental concept of future evolution, it has been designed according to a modular architecture easily extendable from the same core process and techniques generation.

Capabilities

- Flexible hardware Architecture: operating modes can be modified by loading new software.
- Wide Band Operation for noise generation and Narrow Band Operation for coherent techniques.
- Use of advanced modern DRFM techniques.
- Multi-Threat capability.
- Generation of Doppler shift techniques.
- Large variety of jamming/deceiving techniques in speed, distance, angle and coherent range and velocity.
- Several false targets over threat radars generation capability.
- Stand-Off-Jamming capability.
**Configuration**

**Aeromechanical Structure**
Integrating all system components: LRUs, cabling, cooling distribution as well as the RF antenna assembly units.

**ESM Processor**
Represents the core of the ESM reception system based in the ALR-400 RWR technology. Centralizes the communications with other systems. Includes both software and radiofrequency process.

**ECM Processor**
Constitutes the core of the ECM system. Performs Power Management function and time and resources assignment, generates countermeasure parameters and controls the resources to implement them. It is based on DRFM technology.

**High Power RF Transmitters**
Amplifies the signals generated in the ECM Processor. The power is customizable according to customer needs.

**Cockpit Control Unit**
The system can operate autonomously through provided cockpit control unit and dedicated display, or it can be integrated with the rest of the A/C avionics & mission system. Different operation modes of the System can be controlled. Several system status luminous indicators are provided.

**Operational Features**

**Radar Threats Awareness**

**Automatic countermeasure management**
The countermeasure execution will be performed automatically according to user controlled library. There are two different types of countermeasure techniques:
- Deception Techniques.
- Jamming Techniques.

**A/C Installation**
The ALQ-500P can be installed under wing or belly and fulfills the stores interface MIL-STD-1760C.

**Technical Advantages**

**Countermeasures techniques**
- Tailored and combined countermeasures capability (CM generated exclusively by ALQ-500P or by ALQ-500P + CFD system).
- Jamming Techniques: SJAM, BJAM, NCP, HDT.
- Deception Techniques: RGPO, RGPI, RANRAP, VGPO, VGPI, SVGPO, VN, VFT, NCP, HDT, HDC.

**Data sovereignty**
- Radar threat library and countermeasures techniques are fully programmable by the End User.
- Library programming SW can be integrated with National EW databases.

**E/W Management**
The ALQ-500P can operate totally autonomously or can also interface with Chaff & Flares subsystem already installed in the A/C, deciding the most convenient program (ECM, Chaff or combined) at a time according to a pre-programmed library.

**Interface with other systems**
- Interfaces with other EW systems (data interface MIL-STD-1553B).

**Technical Specification**

**Frequency coverage**: From 2 to 18 GHz (configurable).
**Transmission Power**: Configurable.
**Multi-threat jamming**: Up to 8 simultaneous threats.