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### TASK FORCE 3-3 ADA SOLDIERS HONORED BY U.S. CONGRESSMAN

Soldiers assigned to Task Force 3-3 ADA (C-RAM) were honored by a flag presentation from Congressman Steve Israel (D-NY). (By Captain Andrew J. Futscher)



### ADA TODAY

Updated Links to Air and Missile Defense Articles From News Media Website  
**Friday**  
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### GAO Notes Lingering Questions on European Missile Shield Proposal

(Global Security News) Key uncertainties remain about a U.S. proposal to field missile defense elements in Europe, including the project's total cost and unresolved issues with the system's intended host nations, says a Government Accountability Office report released yesterday.

### Special Court for Soldiers May Come to El Paso County

(KVIA, ABC-7) Texas Governor Rick

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### [COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR GRIPPE EXPERIENCES THE C-RAM FIRE POWER OF TASK FORCE 3-3 ADA](#)

CSM Frank A. Grippe, the MNC-I CSM, visited the Soldiers and Sailors of TF 3-3 ADA (C-RAM). The event was hosted by the Soldiers of E/5-52 ADA.

(By Captain Amanda Parker)



### [BATTLEFIELD PROMOTION FOR TASK FORCE 3-3 ADA SOLDIERS](#)

In 2007 General David Petraeus authorized the Battlefield Promotion Program to recognize and promote Soldiers for extraordinary performance of duties while serving in combat or under combat conditions. To qualify for a battlefield promotion, Soldiers must be serving in direct support of Operation Iraqi Freedom or Enduring Freedom. Recently, Lieutenant General Charles H. Jacoby Jr., the 1st Corps Commanding General, Multi-National Corps-Iraq (MNC-I), authorized



### [HQB/3-3 ADA HOSTS VIPs AT JOINT BASE BALA, IRAQ](#)

"This unit is truly joint. We have Army, Navy and Air Force working together to counter the indirect fire threat to JBB. What an excellent way to show what a joint unit is truly about," said General Dunwoody.

(By Sergeant First Class Jeffrey Johnson)



Perry has just signed a bill into law that would allow counties to set up special court systems for veterans and active duty soldiers involved in minor crimes.

### [Russia Prepares to Activate New Missile-Defense Radar](#)

(Global Security News) Russia yesterday said it plans to begin operating a new missile-defense radar station this fall, RIA Novosti reported.

### [Warning Sign](#)

(New York Post)

This program is sensitive in Moscow: The Bulava was to be capable of defeating missile-defense systems, a top Russian paranoia at the moment.

### [Gulf Country Seeks U.S. Hellfire Missiles](#)

(UPI) The United Arab Emirates has asked to buy U.S.-made missiles and warning systems, a U.S. DoD agency said.

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### [Czech Republic Not Against Russia's Inclusion in Joint Missile Defense](#)

(Xinhua)



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battlefield promotions for two Soldiers of Task Force (TF) 3-3 Air Defense Artillery (ADA), the first for the 11TH ADA Brigade in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.  
(By CSM Paris Williams)

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The Czech Republic has never been against Russia's inclusion in a joint missile defense system, Czech Defense Ministry spokesman Milan Repka told the local media on Thursday in response to the news that Russia is to launch a radar base in three months.

### [OSD-Commissioned Study Advocates Keeping MEADS](#)

(Inside Defense – Subscription)

Pentagon officials are reviewing these findings before making a decision on the fate of the multinational missile defense program.

### [Japanese Defense Officials Lobby for Missile Defense Protection for U.S.](#)

(Global Security Newswire)

Japanese defense officials have told Prime Minister Taro Aso he should press to give the nation's military the right to use its missile defenses to protect the United States from North Korea, the London *Telegraph* reported yesterday.

### [Exclusive: Army Talks FCS Folo](#)



(DoD – Buzz)  
 Together they describe the state of the Army as it approaches one of the most important decisions in its post-Vietnam history — how to organize and what to build for future combat.

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**Wednesday, 5 August 2009**

**Smarter North Korean Diplomacy** (Wall Street Journal) The U.S. should make strategic defense and nuclear deterrence real enough for allies to feel secure and forgo nuclear weapons themselves. America and its allies need a Nuclear and Strategic Planning Group for East Asia, starting with Japan and then including other democratic countries.

**Cash for Clunkers, Cuts for Missile Defense** (National Review Online Blogs) Recent polls have shown that the majority of Americans do not favor spending a couple billion more dollars on the "Cash for Clunkers" program, which benefits very few. By contrast, missile defense, a program that would benefit all Americans and our troops and allies overseas, has the support of 78% of Americans and in some polls near 90%; but funding is now being cut by \$1.4 billion, with additional cuts down the road a real possibility — unless there is substantial pushback.

**MEADS Program Receives Hardware Design Approvals, Enters System Level CDR** (PR Newswire- Press Release) MEADS will meet challenging new requirements not addressed by any previous or planned Air and Missile Defense system.

**Tuesday, 4 August 2009**

**Russian Subs Patrolling Off East Coast** (Associated Press) The latest incident, which was first reported by The New York Times, comes amid increased Russian military activity in the region, and as the Obama administration works to thaw tense relations with Moscow over plans for a missile defense system in Central Europe.

**New Generation Missile Fails, Again and Again** (WND.com) The missile is designed to penetrate any missile defense system. It underscores a Russian "salvo strategy" of launching a series of warheads at once to overcome any existing anti-missile defense system.

**The Debate Over European Missile Defense** (PhysicsToday.org) Although the Washington Post did publish a letter from Garwin, in which he says missile defense should be held to the same deployment standards of any other weapons system, a longer letter that Garwin and Postol wrote titled The Wrong Defense and the Wrong Target (8 July 2009) has been circulating on the internet.

**Friday, 31 July 2009**

**US Lawmakers Concerned About 'Reset' of US-Russia Relations** (Voice of America) Questions about where the U.S.-Russia relationship is going are many, ranging from arms control, missile defense and nonproliferation and Iran's nuclear program, to cooperation in counter-terrorism and U.S. concerns about human

rights and media freedom in Russia.

**Lockheed Martin Aegis BMD Weapon System Intercepts Ballistic Missile Target, Successfully Tests New Capabilities**

(PR Newswire – Press Release)

The Missile Defense Agency and the US Navy are jointly developing Aegis BMD as part of the United States' Ballistic Missile Defense System (BMDS).

**Latest US Missile Defense Test in Hawaii a Success** (ABC News) The latest U.S. missile defense test, conducted Thursday evening in Hawaii waters, was deemed a success as tensions continue with North Korea over that country's missile program.

**Security and Defense: Ticking... and Talking** (Jerusalem Post) Iran is seeking to tighten security collaboration with the Gulf states, in an apparent attempt to curb Western influence, achieve regional hegemony and prevent its neighbors from agreeing to be used as launching pads for a strike against its nuclear facilities.

**New Jersey Congressman Rothman Votes for Defense Bill** (newjerseynewsroom.com) "These important collaborative missile defense programs not only help the United States prepare for future threats to our homeland, but they allow the State of Israel, our most important ally in the Middle East, and one of our most important strategic partners in the world, to possess the ability to defend itself against its adversaries," Rothman said.

**Missile Defense System Passes Test** (CNN) The United States successfully tested a sea-based component of its missile defense shield Thursday evening, intercepting a ballistic missile with a dummy warhead over the Pacific Ocean, the U.S. Missile Defense Agency said.