

Stinking Yanks Impose on Oz Defence Minister, 'kneepads' Smith

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Thanks to the obsequiousness of Julia Gillard, Oz is now permanently occupied by the US military; though that troop occupation only extends around Darwin. However, with four other sites already granted by treasonous Gillard and surveyed by Hillary Clinton before she stepped down, that loathsome American moronic twang could soon be heard in many Oz capital cities.



Predator Drone, 'impressive'

So news that current Defence Minister, Stephen 'kneepads' Smith, is 'considering' -- which translates, whenever the yank arms industry decides -- purchasing and deploying Drones as an offensive "armed" weapon should come as no surprise.

The Murdoch press, which carried the story, failed to mention that Drones are no match for manned jet fighters, especially Russian Sukhoi fighter jets which Indonesia and Vietnam have purchased from the Russians at bargain prices compared to the huge, constantly blowing-out cost of the Howard-Hill purchased F-35 flying lemon, which is no match for the superior Sukhois.

Ask any air-force man and be informed, Drones are only useful in controlled and friendly air-space -- using unmanned Drones in combat situations would be like shooting ducks in a bathtub.

However, unarmed Drones, not necessarily US made, could play a role in the maritime surveillance of our huge coastline.

"Armed Drones" indeed, Mr Smith, the yank defence industry must be desperate to unload unnecessary expensive models on the nearest chump around -- you guessed it, supremely gutless and compliant Labor politicians in Canberra -- don't forget to vote Gillard, she would sign over the entire nation if asked by Washington.

Story from Herald-Sun follows:

Drones an option for Australia's defence

by Melissa Jenkins

Defence Minister Stephen Smith says while no plans are afoot now, armed unmanned aircraft may play a role for Australia in the future.

He said there were currently some unmanned aerial vehicles in Afghanistan, which were not armed.

"I am not opposed to the notion of giving consideration down the track to armed unmanned aerial vehicles," Mr Smith told reporters at the Australian International Airshow.

"This is not something that will completely dominate the future, but it is an option. It is currently utilised by a small number of countries.

"This is a conversation which in due course both defence and Australia needs to have."

Mr Smith said unmanned combat planes were part of an overall consideration of the replacement of manned surveillance aircraft.

Air force chief Air Marshal Geoff Brown said unmanned aircraft could stay over battlefields for long periods of time.

"Unmanned aerial vehicles certainly have some great advantages," he said.

"It's one of the things we're looking at."

For maritime surveillance, Australia currently uses AP-3C Orion planes.

Mr Smith said the Orions would need to be replaced towards the end of the decade.

"For some time defence has been planning for the replacement of the Orions both by manned aircraft and by unmanned aircraft," he said.

"We need to have a capability in the unmanned surveillance area which will deal with maritime surveillance."

Mr Smith said no purchase decisions had been made.

There has been speculation defence will buy seven unmanned maritime surveillance drones, which could cost up to \$3 billion.

The air show in Avalon is expected to attract 200,000 visitors over the weekend and inject \$120 million into the Victorian economy.

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