### Air system Self Damage from OME

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### Aim

• The aim of this presentation is to show that it is possible for an aircraft to cause damage to itself after launching a weapon.



### Aim

- Who we are
- What is ASD?
- Why does it matter?
- How do we prevent it?
- Questions



### Who are we?

- DOSG
  - Weapon Systems 3
    - Air launched weapons
  - –WS3a
    - Air Weapon Ballistics
    - ASD
    - TEACASE



### Defence Ordnance Safety Group (DOSG)

- To *advise* DE&S teams and frontline Duty Holders on MOD OME Safety Management System
- To provide *independent advice* to teams and Duty Holders on Safety and Suitability for Service (S3) of OME and lasers
- To provide *independent advice* on matters affecting safe use of OME and lasers during military training and Range Safety
- Support OME Safety Assurance, through membership of OME Safety Review Panel (OSRP)
- Sponsor and *support development* and maintenance of UK and international OME and laser safety *standards and policy*.



## What is ASD

 It is defined as any fragmentation or blast damage caused to an aircraft from a weapon after launch, the point of arming or the target.

• It may also be referred to as Safe Escape



### What is ASD

#### Early Burst at Arming Point

#### **Ground Burst at Impact Point**









## What is ASD

- Requires LOTS of Data
  - 6 DOF models of weapons
  - Failure Modes
  - Arena Trial Data
  - Aircraft Data
    - Vulnerability Model
    - How it is Operated



# Why does it matter?

- Risk to aircraft
  - SD0: No self-damage.
  - SD1: Slight self-damage: aircraft returns with damage which can be repaired within 6 hours.
  - SD2: Severe self-damage: aircraft returns with damage which cannot be repaired within 6 hours: divided into two sub-categories:
  - SD3: Aircraft fails to return.
  - F<sub>15sec</sub>
- It'll never happen though????





## How do we prevent it?

- ASD Manuals
  - Paper based
- JSEAS
  - F-35
  - Electronic



## JSEAS



## Any Questions?

