



F-35 Lightning II Program

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F-35 LIGHTNING II WEAPONS LOADING TRAINER DELIVERS NEW TECHNOLOGY TO VIRTUAL CLASSROOM

Tech. Sgt. Jeff Taggart, of Det. 19, 372nd Training Squadron, maneuvers the training weapon underneath the recently delivered F-35 Lightning II Weapons Loading Trainer. Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Greg Steiner, of the 359th Training Squadron, guides it into its permanent home at the 33rd Fighter Wing's Academic Training Center Sept. 23. Eric Litton, a Lockheed Martin weapons instructor, monitors Marine Sgt. Joel Perkins, of the 359th Training Squadron, directing Joint Tech Data procedures utilizing the Portable Maintenance Aid (laptop). Capt. Mike Byrd, of the ATC staff, evaluates the load process. The ATC is the schoolhouse of the F-35 Integrated Training Center for pilot and maintenance joint strike fighter training in all three of Department of Defense aircraft variants.



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