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Collaborative Combat Aircraft for Next Generation Air Dominance

Abstract

The Department of the Air Force (DAF) Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) study on Collaborative Combat Aircraft (CCA) for Next Generation Air Dominance (NGAD) provides an understanding on how CCA's will operate effectively with piloted aircraft.

The study panel reviewed relevant DAF Operational Imperative products to determine potential CCA Concepts of operations and concepts of employment for NGAD. In addition, the panel determined technology requirements, their risks, and alternative allocations of these functions between the pilot and artificial intelligence. The panel also explored testing standard and processes to validate CCA operational performance. Finally, the panel proposed investments needed in the near-, mid-, and longer-term future to develop and deploy NGAD Family of Systems.

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