BOE: Collaboration between the University of Salamanca and the Air force in UAV operator training

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Today a specific covenant of collaboration has been published in the BOE (Official State Bulletin) between the Ministry of Defence and the University of Salamanca for operator training of unmanned aerial vehicles.

The aim of the covenant consists of the establishment of a general framework in which the University of Salamanca (USAL) and the Ministry of Defence (MINISDEDF)

will be able to carry out activities related to technological development, teaching, scientific research, and knowledge exchange, mainly in the aeronautic and astronautic field.

An certain aptitude will established and the certification Operator of Unmanned Aerial Systems for members of the Armed Forces has been created, appointed to the Group of Matacán Schools (GRUEMA) of the Air force (AE), as the military training centre in charge of imparting handling education and the Operator of Unmanned Aerial Systems certification.

The University of Salamanca intends to develop educational content for civil personnel, enabling operators of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS). Additionally, in collaboration with the firms based out of its Science Park, USAL could be equipped with the UAS and certain elements of platform simulation and also an operator of the platform, all of which being cited points of interest for the Air Force.

The aim of covenant is to establish the foundation of the collaboration between the Air Force and the University of Salamanca, for the instruction of training related to aptitude acquisition for the Operator of UAS certification for the Armed Forces staff (UAS school of GRUEMA) and for the preparation of Civil UAS operators.

Given the necessity of aerial space separation to perform certain flights included in the practical part of the training, the Air Force will attempt to establish conditions that could aid USAL in the separation of Air Space, in accordance with requested procedures and requirements of operation, stipulated in the regulations with regards the Operation of UASs, and also as a support for the use of certain military facilities and necessary logistical means to be determined by a mutual agreement.

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