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MESSAGE

I am happy to learn that the India's first Airborne Early Warning and Control System (AEW&C) developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation in association with the Indian Air Force (in Initial Operational Clearance Configuration) has been successfully inducted and the system handed over to the Air Force on February 14, 2017.

I understand that the AEW&C system will be useful for surveillance, tracking, identification and classification of airborne/sea surface targets. So far, only four countries have this capability. This is a significant milestone in boosting our defence capabilities and will enhance security against incoming ballistic missile threats.

I extend my greetings and felicitations to all members of DRDO and IAF associated with the development and successful induction of India's first AEW&C.


(Pranab Mukherjee)

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