

## HAES 400 AERIAL TARGET

### Mission

The HAES 400 is an autonomous aerial target used to provide a threat-representative target drone to support the Ground-to-Air Weapon System evaluation and test programs.

### Features

The HAES 400, manufactured by HAES Group (a joint venture of the companies **Hacker Model Production** and **Evolving Systems Consulting**), is constructed of carbon fiber and epoxy-based materials.

The HAES 400 is capable of speeds from 80 km/h (49 mph) to 400 km/h (244 mph) true airspeed at sea level.

The drone can achieve flight altitudes from 30 m (100 ft) above ground level to 3,000 m (10,000 ft) mean sea level. Maneuvers include G-turns up to 12 Gs, and other aerial acrobatic turns.



The drone is launched from a rail system. The drone can be recovered by a parachute recovery system. Recovered targets are repaired, tested and reused. The HAES 400 can carry a full range of current target payloads which include infrared and radar enhancements and a chaff/flare dispenser set.

### Background

A realistically moving aerial target provides efficient shooting practice and combat firing for anti-aircraft missile systems SHORAD/VSHORAD, thus improving the quality and efficiency of the gunner/operator training.

Two prototype targets have been built to date, in 2009 and February 2010.

### General Characteristics of HAES 400 V1.2

**Primary function:** Aerial target

**Prime Contractor:** HAES Group (**Hacker Model Production** and **Evolving Systems Consulting**)

**Power plant:** Combustion engine w/ propeller

**Wingspan:** 1.9 meters (6.3 ft)

**Length:** 1.35 meters (4.5 ft)

**Height:** 0.56 meters (1.8 ft)

**Weight:** 19 kg empty, 21.5 kg max.

**Speed:** 400 km/h (244 mph)

**Ceiling:** 3,000 meters (10,000 ft)

**Range:** 30 km (18 mi)

**Cost:** TBD

**Initial operating capability:** TBD

**Inventory:** Demonstrators, 2; Active force, 0

### Point of Contact

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