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U.S. Marine Corps Announces Dates for 2013 AV-8B Harrier / MV-22 Osprey Demonstrations and Static Displays Selection Board

HEADQUARTERS MARINE CORPS (June 8, 2012) –The U.S. Marine Corps will conduct its annual selection board November 7, 2012 to determine which events in calendar year 2013 will receive an AV-8B Harrier, MV-22 demonstrations and static displays.

Those interested in seeking a Harrier or Osprey demonstration for their event during 2013 must submit their completed request via: www.marines.mil/community, no later than October 12, 2012.

The exact number of aerial events to be selected for 2013 will be determined by the board. Due to the current operational and training requirements of the Corps' Harrier and Osprey squadrons, the average number of demonstrations per year is 10 to 15 each.

Events selected will receive official notification via mail, e-mail, telephone and the website.

The Department of Defense requires all support provided by Marine Corps assets to be incidental to the hosting event, at no additional cost to the government. Any changes to information regarding the request after submission must be directly communicated to the aviation liaison including changes to event dates, points of contact, or telephone numbers. Failure to report any changes from the original request to the Marine Corps' aviation liaison prior to the convening of the selection board will disqualify the event for consideration in 2013.

While the Marine Corps makes every effort to ensure selected sites receive designated aerial support, Marine Corps aviation units may cancel a scheduled appearance at any time due to unforeseen operational, training or safety requirements.