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INDONESIA SIGNS CONTRACT WITH TURKEY TO BUY 48 KAAN FIGHTER JETS

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Indonesia has signed a contract to buy 48 Kaan fighter jets from Turkey, the Indonesian Defence Ministry said on July 29, sealing the South-east Asian nations latest purchase aimed at modernising its ageing military hardware.

In order to boost its air force, Jakarta also ordered 42 French Rafale jets worth US\$8.1 billion (S\$10.4 billion) in 2022. It is also considering ordering Chinas J-10 fighter jets and continues talks to purchase US-made F-15EX jets.

Indonesia and Turkey signed an implementation contract on July 26 on the sidelines of the International Defence Industry Fair in Istanbul, Defence Ministry spokesman Frega Wenas Inkriwang said in a statement.

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