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Frank R. Carus is vice president and program manager of the F-35 Lightning II program within the Military Aircraft Systems division of Northrop Grumman Aerospace Systems, a premier provider of manned and unmanned aircraft, space systems and advanced technologies critical to our nation's security.

In this role, Carus is responsible for the day-to-day execution of Aerospace Systems' F-35 program. Northrop Grumman is a principal partner to Lockheed Martin Aeronautics and BAE Systems on the Lockheed Martin-led F-35 industry team.

Prior to his current assignment, Carus was the F-35 deputy program manager and system design and development (SDD) program manager. In that role, he led all SDD activities including air vehicle design, flight test, supportable low observables, mission systems, vehicle systems and pilot and maintenance training systems courseware development.

Previously, Carus served as Aerospace Systems' director of engineering. In that role, he led a large functional organization that performed specialty engineering, materials and processes engineering, and engineering program integration. His contributions as a program manager and technical leader have influenced many programs since he joined Northrop Grumman in 1992.

Carus served as the Northrop Grumman chief engineer for the F/A-18/F-5/T-38 programs from 2005-2009. Before that, he served as an air vehicle integrated product team leader for the programs.

Carus earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the New York Institute of Technology. He has also completed executive programs at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Sloan School of Management and the University of Virginia Darden School of Business. He is a member of the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Advisory Board for California State University, Long Beach.

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