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Military Al Works [MAIW Nato Sentrys Update]



Version: 1.1 For FS 2004 / FS9 Project Manager: [Stewart Pearson] This freeware AI package, produced by Military AI Works contains everything needed to activate the home base of the NATO Airborne Early Warning & Control Force (NAEW & CF), Geilenkirchen AB, in FS2004, and is an update to our package released some 5 years ago. MAIW are delighted to have been chosen to launch the new model of the Boeing E-3A, designed by Juan Sebastian Gonzalez (NAAI). This package contains repaints, AFCADs, flight plans and custom call signs for each depicted unit.

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1. About MAIW

Military AI Works (MAIW) is a loosely affiliated, international group of flightsim enthusiasts who share the common goal of seeing realistic military AI traffic in MS Flightsim. Our goals:

- 1) Produce only high-quality, freeware packages and products
- 2) Create military AI traffic accurately within the bounds of MS Flightsim
- 3) Promote new freeware military Al models, scenery and products
- 4) Advance military Al modeling of countries around the globe
- 5) Respect the rights of designers and contributors

To learn more about MAIW or to become a contributor, visit our website at http://www.militaryaiworks.com.

2. Credits

AFCADs:

- Desmond Burrell
- John Burtenshaw
- Tony Dalton

Models:

- Juan Sebastian Gonzalez (NAAI)
- Chris Jones

FDE and Effects Design:

- Michael MacIntyre
- Nick Needham

Repaints:

Ray Parker

Voicepacks:

Stewart Pearson

Flightplans:

- Dan Reeves
- · George Gaviidae

Custom Scenery Objects:

John Burtenshaw

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3. Units Included in this Package



NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control Force – E-3A Component.



Callsign – "NATO" Aircraft – Boeing E-3A

4. Installation

Step 1) Install this package

- 1a) Install the package in accordance with the on-screen prompts
- 1b) Users who have previously installed the original (v1.0) version of this package, may wish to remove the following two folders from your FS9/Aircraft Folder;

MAIW_EAI_B707 NATO MAIW EAI E-3A NATO

1c) Within the Flight Simulator 9/Military AI Works/Germany/NATO/Geilenkirchen AB folder, you will also found 2 optional folders. In the Anniversary Option folder, there are 2 texture files for LX-N90443. One is the standard (default) scheme and one is the 25th Anniversary scheme as worn by this aircraft between 2007 and 2013. In the Retro Option folder, you will find the necessary model, texture and flightplan files for the Boeing CT-49A training aircraft, which were withdrawn from use in 2011.

Step 2) Remove duplicate AFCAD files

Open your "Flight Simulator 9/Addon Scenery/scenery" folder and remove any <u>previously</u> installed AFCAD's for the following airports (e.g. "AF2_XXXX.bgl," "AF2_XXXX_DEFAULT_XX.bgl" or "PAI_AF2_XXXX_DEFAULT.bgl") NOTE: LEAVE ALL AFCADS BEGINNING WITH "MAIW" as they were installed with step 1:

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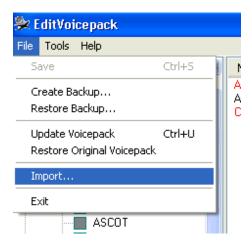
ETNW LPLA

NOTE: Failure to remove these duplicate files may result in problems with AI aircraft parking and operation. It is recommended you move these to a temporary folder instead of deleting them; however, you should not need them again as the AFCADs included in this package are thoroughly researched and highly detailed. If you are using add-on scenery for one of the above airfields, it is recommended you do NOT

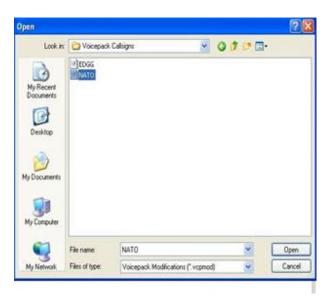
remove the AFCAD for the add-on scenery, but instead remove the MAIW AFCAD file (e.g. MAIW_XXXX_DEFAULT.bgl) after installation.

Step 3) Install callsign voicepacks

- **3a)** If you don't have the EditVoicepack 3.1 freeware installed, download it and install it by <u>clicking here</u>.
- 3b) Run EditVoicepack and import all vcpmod files included in with this installation
- 3c) Choose "Import" from the "File" menu



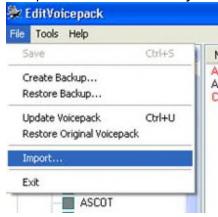
3d) Find the folder "Flight Simulator 9/Military AI Works/ Germany/NATO/Geilenkirchen AB /Voicepack Callsigns in the "Look in:" window.



3e) Click "open" for each file

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3f) Update the Voicepack for FS9 by choosing "Update Voicepack" from the "File" menu-ensure the "Custom/Callsigns" box is checked in the left hand window. (note: the update may take a few minutes—do not attempt to start FS9 until the update is complete. Look for "Ready" in the lower left corner)



3g) When ready press save to keep the modifications

Step 4) Activate MAIW Scenery

Included in this package is a set of buildings as custom scenery to spruce up the airports. It should be noted that not installing the scenery will not detract from your enjoyment or use of this package however. To install this scenery you need to do the following:

- 1) The folder "MAIW Geilenkirchen" and has already been installed into the "Addon Scenery" folder of your FS directory. In order to activate this scenery you must start FS9, go to Settings and find the Scenery Library.
- 2) Click on "ADD AREA" and navigate to the "MAIW Geilenkirchen" folder which should be, by default after installation, located in "Flight Simulator 9\Addon Scenery".
- 3) Shut down FS and then when you restart the scenery will be installed and ready to use.
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That's it! You've successfully installed this package. Your Al traffic files will be automatically updated the next time you run FS9



5. Troubleshooting

Problems addressed:

"I've installed the package, but there are no Military AI aircraft at the airports"

"When I go to an airport, there are AI planes parked on top of one another"

"I can't find the aircraft in the aircraft selection menu"

"When the Military AI planes talk to ATC, they use only numbers, not callsigns"

"I'm following the Military AI aircraft, and they won't come back for touch-and-gos"

Problem: "I've installed the package, but there are no Military Al aircraft at the airports"

Potential issue: FS9 Al traffic density set too low

Fix action: In FS9, set the AI traffic density slider to at least 1%.

Problem: "When I go to an airport, there are AI planes parked on top of one another"

<u>Potential issue</u>: Multiple AFCADs active for the same airport <u>Fix action</u>: Using Windows Explorer, open the folder "Flight Simulator 9/Addon scenery/scenery." Look for duplicate entries for the following airport identifier:

ETNG ENOL

EPPO

EPSN

ESPA ETNW

LPLA

Files may be named in several ways. The most common are "AF2_KXXX.bgl," "AF2_KXXX_DEFAULT_XX.bgl" and "PAI_AF2_DEFAULT.bgl." Keep the file names starting with MAIW and remove all others with duplicate airport identifiers.

Problem: "I can't find the aircraft in the aircraft selection menu"

<u>Issue</u>: These are AI aircraft and have been programmed to not show up in the flyable aircraft selection menu

<u>Fix action</u>: If you simply must select these aircraft, use an editing program such as AirEd and change the Aircraft type from "2" to "0"

Problem: "When the Military AI planes talk to ATC, they use only numbers, not callsigns"

<u>Potential issue</u>: Callsign Voicepacks were not installed correctly <u>Fix action</u>: Run the EditVoicepack software. Look for the following callsigns in the "custom modifications/callsigns" section of the program:

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If any of these are missing, choose "File/import" and open the appropriate .vcpmod file in the folder:-

"Flight Simulator 9/Military AI Works/Germany/NATO/Geilenkirchen AB/Voicepack Callsigns"

Once this is complete, or if all callsigns are present, ensure the "Custom/Callsigns" box is checked in the left hand window and choose "File/Update Voicepack" to install them into FS9 (this may take a few minutes, do not open FS9 until the lower left of the EditVoicepack screen says "Ready.")

Problem: "I'm following the Military Al aircraft, and they won't come back for touch-and-gos"

Potential issue: You're following your Al aircraft

<u>Fix action</u>: Stop following your AI aircraft. For some reason, a watched AI aircraft does not always behave the way it is programmed to. If you wait for the aircraft at the airport, it will arrive on schedule



6. Notes and Resources

This package was built by the <u>Military Al Works</u> online community. If you are interested in making Military Al traffic more realistic, visit this site!

Flightplans:

The Flightplans are fictional, but have been researched via Internet and message forums. We have tried to make the plans as "realistic" as possible and have had to use our own judgment. Aircraft in this package fly to bases that may need you to download a separate AFCAD for the aircraft to show up there, AFCADs may be found at Avsim.com, Flightsim.com and the Project AI Afcad site

All Flightplans were created using Notepad.

Flightplans were installed using Lee Swordy's TrafficTools freeware traffic compiler.

Callsigns:

The callsigns used in this package are actual callsigns used by these units, based on information obtained in manuals and on internet.

All callsigns were created using the ingenious <u>EditVoicepack</u> freeware. This program is extremely simple and fun to use—if you need a new Al callsign, give it a try!

AFCADs:

All AFCADs were created using Lee Swordy's <u>AFCAD v2.21</u>. This has got to be one of the finest freeware programs ever created. Want to add some AI parking to your local airport? AFCAD makes it fun!

IMPORTANT NOTE: please only open AFX formatted AFD with Airport Facilitator X. Opening the AFX formatted AFD with any other AFD program will lose important and needed data.



7. Permissions and Disclaimers

Adverse Effects:

The contents of this package should not adversely affect your FS9 or computer operation if installed according to the instructions. The authors make no guarantee and bear no responsibility for adverse operation or lost/overwritten files on your computer.

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Any questions, suggestions and feedback on the contents may be directed to the forums at www.militaryaiworks.com.

Sources:

All information used to create this package was obtained via online, open-source research. All flight plans and schedules, while reasonable for military units, are fictional.

Thanks to everyone who made this possible.

Hello Jackie

