

# SAAB 105

## twin-jet trainer and light attack aircraft

— now ordered by the Swedish Air Force

The Swedish Air Force has received government authorization to order 130 SAAB 105 twin-jet trainer and light attack aircraft. The SAAB 105 is the outcome of a private venture development programme started in 1959.

The Swedish Air Force has ordered the aircraft not only for training but also in an attack version, primarily for support of army and naval forces. The trainers will be provided with equipment for speedy conversion to combat duty.

"Light attack" in this context means that the aircraft is designed for tactical operations with external weapon loads equal in many respects to those carried by far more expensive aircraft.

For example: This aircraft can be armed with either two 30 mm cannon, two 550 lb (250 kg) bombs, two 660 lb

(300 kg) air-to-ground missiles, six 275 lb (125 kg) bombs or twelve 13,5 cm rockets. This weapon load in combination with the excellent performance of the aircraft, for example a range of 1120 miles (1800 km), makes the SAAB 105 a combat factor of consequence.

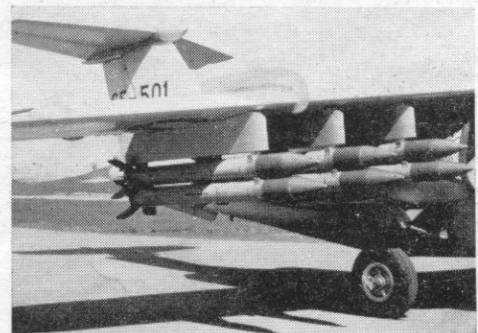
Flight tests have shown that the new aircrafts is very pleasant to fly and has good handling qualities both in normal flight and in aerobatics.

The SAAB 105 and its Turboméca Aubisque engines have proved very reliable in operation. Which has contributed to the succesful realization of an intensive flight test program.

The SAAB 105 is also suitable for photographic reconnaissance and as a liason/executive aircraft carrying up to five people.



SAAB 105 — armed with air-to-surface missiles. (above) and (below) with 12 rockets.



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