

Table 2: States close to acquiring MALE-type armed drones

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	Country	Delivery expected:	Drone type	Internally developed?	From	Note
1.	Albania	Spring 2024	Bayraktar TB2		Turkey	Signed contract to purchase 3 Bayraktar in 2022.
2.	Angola	?	Aksungur		Turkey	Signed contract for unknown number of Aksungur drones in March 2023.
3.	Canada	2028	MQ-9 SkyGuardian		US	Signed contract in Dec 2023 for 11 SkyGuardian, Ground Control Stations and weapons.
4.	Germany	?	Heron TP		Israel	Initial operational capability was set for mid-2024 but drones have been passed to Israel.
5.	India	?	MQ-9 SkyGuardian	?	US	Developing MALE drone and seeking to acquire armed systems from US.
6.	Italy	?	MQ9-Reaper		US	Plan to arm their unarmed Reaper drones
7.	Kuwait	?	Bayraktar TB2		Turkey	Contract signed in Jan 2023. Not clear when will be delivered or operational
8.	Malaysia	?	Anka		Turkey	Malaysia signed contract to acquire ANKA-S in May 2023.
9.	Romania	2024	Bayraktar TB2		Turkey	Romania signed contract for TB2 drones in April 2023 with deliveries to be in 2024.
10.	Taiwan	2025?	Teng Yun MQ-9 SeaGuardian		US	Armed drone under development and awaiting delivery of US drone in 2025
11.	Thailand	?	Hermes 900		Israel	Thailand signed contract to acquire unknown number of Hermes 900 drones from Israel.