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F-16C Block 50 79th Fighter Squadron Shaw AFB, South Carolina October 2005 RESCUE 0 RESCUE

The third Tiger Meet to be held in North America lived up to the standard set by others, and even raised the bar. Hosted by the 'Bold Tigers' – The F-15E-flying 391st FS at Mountain Home Air Force Base – the 'stars in stripes' relished the opportunity to sharpen their claws over the desert plains of Idaho.

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"Now that we're on the third TMOTA people are starting to get a feel for it. I think the 391st have done a phenomenal job. They had two things going for them, one is the facility they have here, the ramp space and airfield and then there was the airspace itself. This meant the training aspect was outstanding, with great threat simulations, air refuelling and the NATO AWACS in support. Out of the three Tiger Meets so far, this has been the most dynamic in terms of the flying aspect."

Those were the words of Maj Craig 'Lobo' Wolf, 120th FS Director of Operations and Tiger chief for the Colorado Cougars at the conclusion of the third Tiger Meet Of The Americas (TMOTA), hosted by the 'Bold Tigers' of the 391st FS at Mountain Home AFB, Idaho, October 14/21 2005.

On October 14 a total of seven units with twenty-five aircraft and three hundred an twenty one personnel joined the Bold Tig at Mountain Home for TMOTA 2005.

79th FS 'Tigers' 6 x F-16CJ (Air C Command) 120th FS 'Cougars' 6 x F-16C (Co ANG)

200th AS 'Bobcat' 1 x C-21A (Col 410/416 TFS 'Cougar/Lynx' 5 x Cl

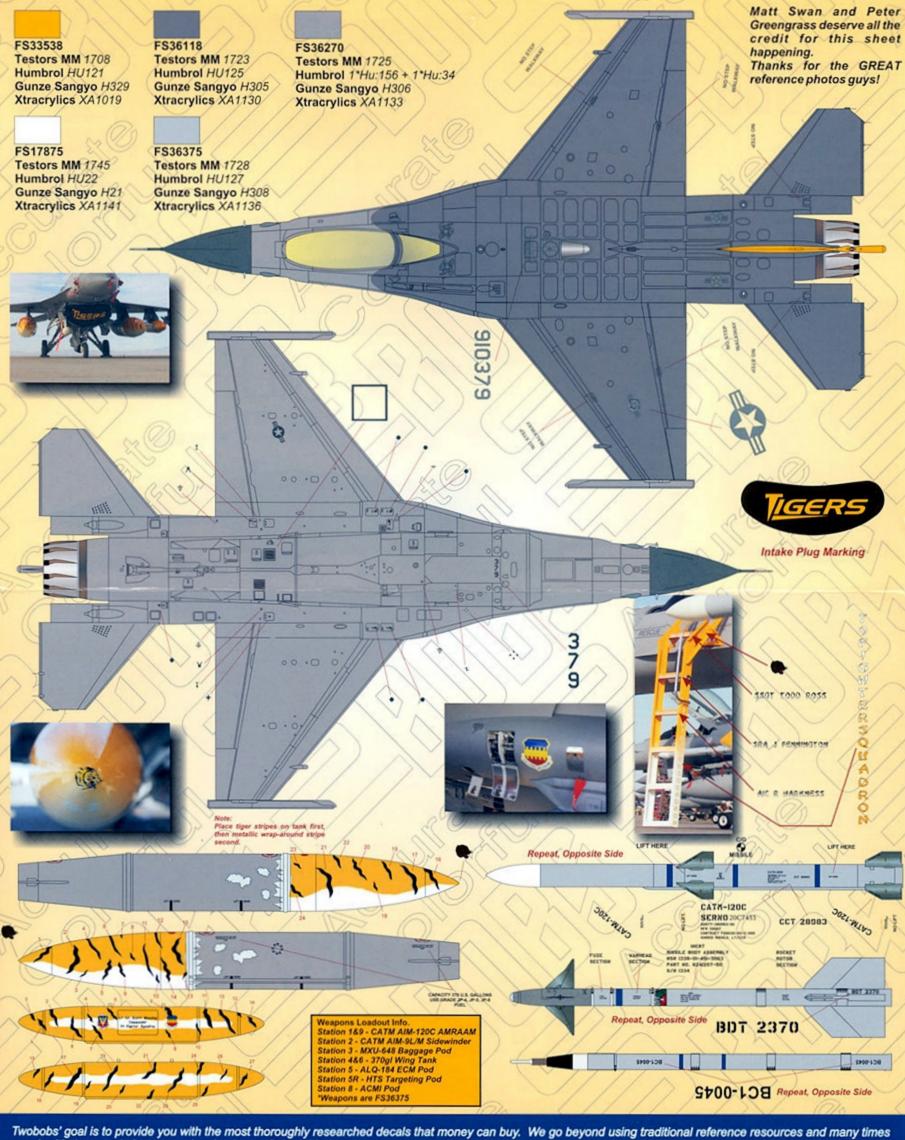
(Canadian Forces) 916th ARW 'Totin' Tigers' 2 x KC-135R

Force Reserve Command)
1 Squadron 'Tigers' 1 x E-3A (NATO AEV

Component)
393rd BS 'Tigers' 2 x T-38A (Observers)
37th BS 'Tigers' 1 x B-1B (Flying from Ellsworth AFB)

A key aspect of the 2005 TMOTA's timing in mid-October was to coincide with the German Air Force Tactical Training Centre (GAFTTC) Tornado unit from Holloman AFB, NM deploying to Mountain Home. Maj Orwan explained: "They came up here for their Weapons School Mission Employment (ME) phase so we worked together to get them involved. We said that we will do Blue and Red-Air for you if you will do Red-Air for us."





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