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The Airbus A320neo and Boeing 737 MAX will appear together for the first time at this year's Farnborough International Airshow, possibly along with Bombardier's C Series, but interest in defense platforms is expected to eclipse commercial aircraft orders at the show.



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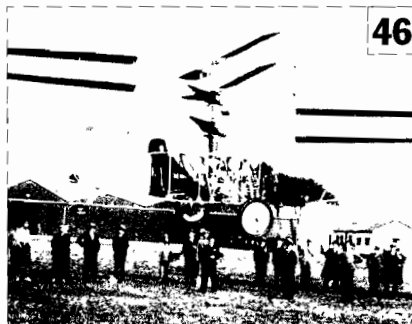
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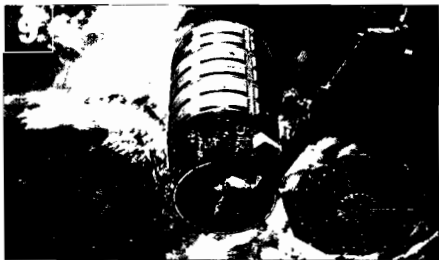
Russia's United Aircraft Corp. has rolled out an aircraft designed to compete with the Airbus A320, Boeing 737 and Comac's C919. The MS-21 has Pratt & Whitney engines and other Western components, but will it be enough to make a significant dent in a market long dominated by Boeing and Airbus? (see page 20) Cover photo by Leonid Faerberg. Elsewhere in this edition are reports on the evolution and future of vertical flight (page 46) and United Airlines (page 26) and an interview with Boeing's new defense and space chief (page 42). Aviation Week publishes a digital edition every week. Read it at [www.aviationweek.com](http://www.aviationweek.com) and on our app.



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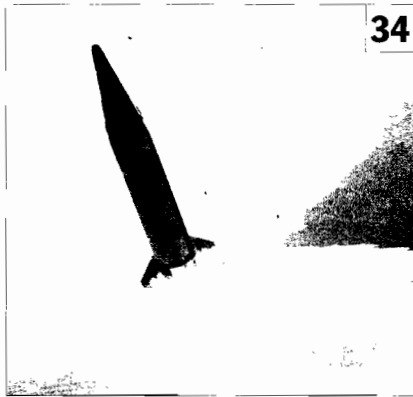
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