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Early February 2015, Embraer’s new
KC-390 military transport and aerial
refuelling aircraft successfully
performed its first flight. On 20 May
2014, Embraer and the Brazilian
Air Force (FAB) signed the serial
production contract for the delivery
of 28 KC-390 aircraft and initial
logistic support. Besides the order
from the FAB, there are current
purchase intentions from other
countries, for a total of 32 additional
aircraft. Inserts depict a Raytheon
Exoatmospheric Kill Vehicle travelling
through space on its way to collide with an intercontinental
ballistic missile threat in this artist’s rendering (Photo: Raytheon); a
US Marine taking a knee in a field of poppy during a halt in a
security patrol in Musa Qal’eh, Helmand province, Afghanistan
(Photos: USMC/Christopher M. Paulton); and the Chilean Navy
ALMIRANTE RIVEROS (FF-18, ex-HNLMS TJERK HIDDES)
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