BAE Systems undertakings review (2026)

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Timetable

Date	Action
15 October 2026 to 5 November 2026	Consultation launch (*)

(*) The CMA is inviting comments from any interested party.

BAE Systems remedy review

Consultation

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The undertakings included measures to safeguard competition and to address national security concerns arising in the defence sector. The CMA received a request from BAE Systems on 27 July 2026 to release BAE Systems from the undertakings. The CMA previously reviewed the undertakings in 2017, when the CMA recommended BAE Systems be released from the undertakings.

The CMA is inviting views on its intention to re-adopt its 2017 advice to release the remaining undertakings until 5 November 2026.

- Consultation: BAE Systems undertakings review
- BAE Systems letter (PDF, 383KB) (15.10.26)

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