

# *Pentagon to Increase Drone Use with Help from Private Contractors*

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Washington, August 20 (RHC)-- The Pentagon says it is planning to ramp up its use of drones by 50 percent over the next several years. The increase will rely on the use of the U.S. Army and private contractors to fly the unmanned aircraft.

Currently, the U.S. Air Force flies about 65 drone missions a day. The Pentagon is looking to increase that number to 90 missions. The Pentagon says the private contractors would only fly surveillance drones, not lethal strike drones.

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