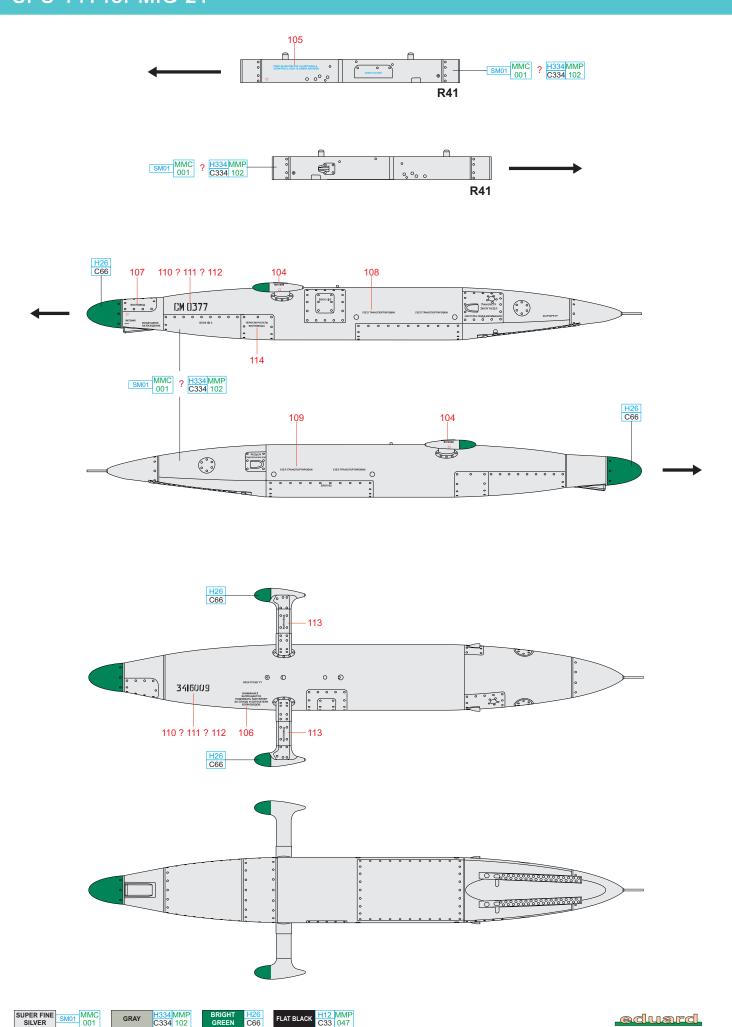


SPS-141 for MiG-21



🗛 No. 9714, 1st slp, České Budějovice, Czechoslovakia, 1988/ 1989

This aircraft served with the majority of fighter regiments in the Czechoslovak Air Force. First, it was assigned to the 4th slp (Fighter Air Regiment) in Pardubice (1974-1985), followed by service with the 9th slp in Bechyně (1985) and the 5th slp at Líně. Its ability to carry the SPS-141 ECM pod took it from Planá in České Budějovice to the 3rd Squadron of the 1st slp together with the MiG coded 9709. Between 1989 and 1991 it served with the 8th slp in Brno. From 1991 up to the breakup of Czechoslovakia, it was with the 81st sslt (Independent Fighter Squadron) at Sliač. It was retained by the Czech Air Force after the division of assets between the Czech and Slovak republics. It ended its career with the 82nd sslt at Mošnov and was retired in 1993.



B No. 4312, 9th slp, Bechyně, Czechoslovakia, 1980s

The SPS-141 ECM pod was carried in the Czechoslovak Air Force by the MiG-21MF and MA using special pylon adaptors under the fuselage. This equipment was designed to jam the Hawk (MIM-23) anti-aircraft defence system and allow four-ship formations of MiG-21s to penetrate into enemy held territory. After serving with the 4th slp (Fighter Air Regiment) at Pardubice, aircraft coded 4312 was transferred to the 9th slp in 1973. Through the mid eighties, the plane went through an upgrade that allowed for the carriage of the SPS-141 pod. The splitting of assets between the newly formed Czech and Slovak republics allocated the aircraft to the Slovak side. It was retired in 1997. Throughout its entire service career, the aircraft carried no camouflage scheme.

