

INDIVIDUAL HISTORY

SB Lim-2 /MiG 15 -Bis 1120
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- Jul 55 Construction Date (taken from manufacturers plate)-The Polish Air Force had operated Mig-15s since 1951.
- Undated photo of 1120 on combat patrol near Polish border-MiG 15 In Action (027618) p.38.
- c.1985 Withdrawn from service.
- Sep 86 Purchased by LBA systems of Daventry, Northants.
- Oct 86 Batch of 14 LIM-2s shipped to UK from Poland and stored at Middlesborough The batch consisted of 10 single seat and 4 two seat trainers, all in overall silver with red nose codes. All had been purchased from the Polish Foreign Ministry by Andy Macgill of LBA Systems Ltd. for resale to western collectors.
- 29 Oct 86 1120 Donated to RAFM by Andy MacGill.
- 9 Nov 86 Delivered to RAFM Hendon -the first Eastern Bloc aircraft to be put on permanent display in Britain. Photo on arrival- Scale Models International Feb.87 p.62; Aircraft Illustrated Jan 87 P.4; Aviation News 12-26 Dec 86p.719;Flypast Jan 87 p.34; Aeroplane Monthly Jan 87 p.2.
- Displayed in main aircraft Hall opposite the Meteor. Photos-Aircraft Modelworld Vol.4 No.11 p.30-32; The Flying M February 1987 pp.23-25.
- May 89 Loaned to Imperial War Museum South Lambeth for display.
- 26 Feb 92 Returned to Display at Hendon.
- c. Jul 92-1995 Refurbished at RC&RC Cardington. Photos-Air World International Sep.95 p.29; Transport Digest Summer 1994 p.17.
- 24 May 95 Returned for display at RAFM again in main hall adjacent to the Meteor. Assembly complete by 19 June. Photo on arrival-FlyPast Jul.95 p.12; Aircraft Illustrated Aug 95 p.88.
- 1 Aug 01 By road to RAFM Cosford for display, following dismantling over the previous two days.

Photos on arrival – Flypast October 2001 p.9; Aircraft Illustrated October 2001 p.63; Air Pictorial October 2001 p.780. Re-erected and on temporary external display at Cosford 9th August 2001; first soviet-designed aircraft to be displayed at Cosford.

23 May 06 Moved into new National Cold War Exhibition building at RAFM Cosford for continued display.

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