MIKOYAN-GUROVICH MIG-21PF 503/N610DM/G-BRAM RAFM ACCESSION NUMBER X003-6783

c.1966 To Hungarian Air Force (Magyar Legiero) as MiG-21PF (Type 76) NATO reporting name 'Fishbed-D'; constructor's number 760503, being one of some two dozen of this variant operated, from serials block 501-510. Deliveries of the MiG-21PF fighter variant to Hungary began in 1966, and by 1988 they were relegated to the training role.

This was the second production version of the MiG-21, with all-weather capability, with revised nose of larger capacity with radar in the inlet centrebody, entering production in 1962.

Originally purchased privately for use in a James Bond film to be made at Pinewood Studios. Brought to UK and assembled by Hungarian technicians.

- April 89 To Aces High at North Weald Airfield, Essex as N610DM, in airworthy condition, with 1,895 airframe hours. Two others acquired at the same time, which were exported. Photo; Warbird Tech Vol 45 Mikoyan Gurevich MiG-21 Fishbed p.95.
- 22 May 89 Registered on UK civil register as G-BRAM
- 25 May 89 Ground run for first time at North Weald. Photo Flypast July 1989 p.7. Photo at around same time Aircraft illustrated September 1989 p.449. Ground run several times subsequently.
 - 15 Jul 98 To Bournemouth Aviation Museum, at Bournemouth Airport, Hants, on loan from owner John Hallett-still in taxiable condition.
 - 16 Apr 99 UK registration cancelled by CAA.
 - 3 Mar 04 To Farnborough Air Sciences Trust (FAST) at Farnborough Airfield, Hants, on loan from the family of FAST leading light the late John Hallett. Photo Wrecks and Relics 20th Edition. For this move by road the wing fences and wing tips were removed and later replaced.
- By road to RAFM Cosford, following purchase by the RAF Museum. Photo on arrival Flypast December 2006 p.6. Photo on display in new National Cold War Exhibition building following repainting Flypast April 2007 p.4.

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