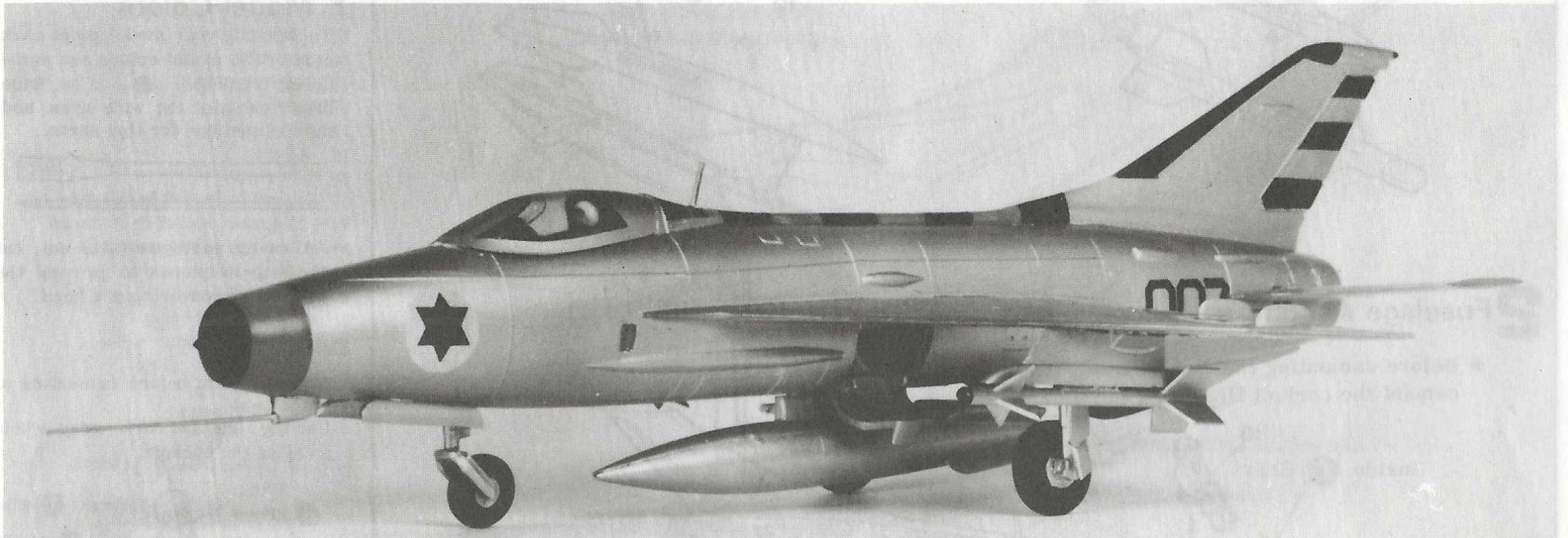
# MIKOYAN/ GUREVICH MIG-21 FSHBED

1/72 Scale Series





### HISTORY

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The design of the Mig-21 fighter aircraft was begun in 1953, under Colonel-General Artem I. Mikoyan, the head of the Soviet design bureau. This short-range delta-wing fighter was first seen in the Soviet Aviation Day display at Tushino airport, Moscow, in June. 1956. The name "Fishbed" was used by NATO as the identification. The A model, with a delta wing: B model, with the wing tip slightly cut off: C model, a clear-weather fighter: D model, all-weather fighter with an enlarged mach cone on the nose; F model, a remodeled D model; G model, which became the VTOL, and the 2-seater "Mongol" trainer were produced in large numbers. There are several versions of the E model, which has a special design for performance testing. The first 2 - seater production model, Fishbed C, was high-speed jet fighter in the Mach 2 class, similar to the Lockheed F-104 and was assigned to the front line in 1959.

Fishbed C, with a jet engine can be outfitted with a rocket booster under the fuselage. This accelerates the take-off and the rate of climbing, enabling it to reach a high altitude. The climbing speed is about 150 m per second and it can climb to the height of Mt. Fuji in about 25 seconds. The maximum speed at 11,000 m altitude is Mach 2, which means 600 m per second.

For the armaments, it carries two 37 mm cannon, one on each side under the fuselage and an "Atol" air-to-air missile can be slung under both wings. Subsequently the cannons were removed and armed only with missiles. Mig-21s

## Completed Model

have been supplied to Czechoslovakian, Polish, Rumanian, Hungarian. Finnish, Indian, Egyptian, Syrian, Iraqi, Cuban, Indonesian, North Vietnamese, Red Chinese and North Korean air forces. It has been said that Czechoslovakia and Red China are producting these aircrafts under license. In the Middle East War air battles, the Mig became famous in its battles with the French Mirage and the U.S. Phantom II. In the Vietnam War the Mig fought against the U.S. Air Force and the Navy fighters.

# DATA

Crew

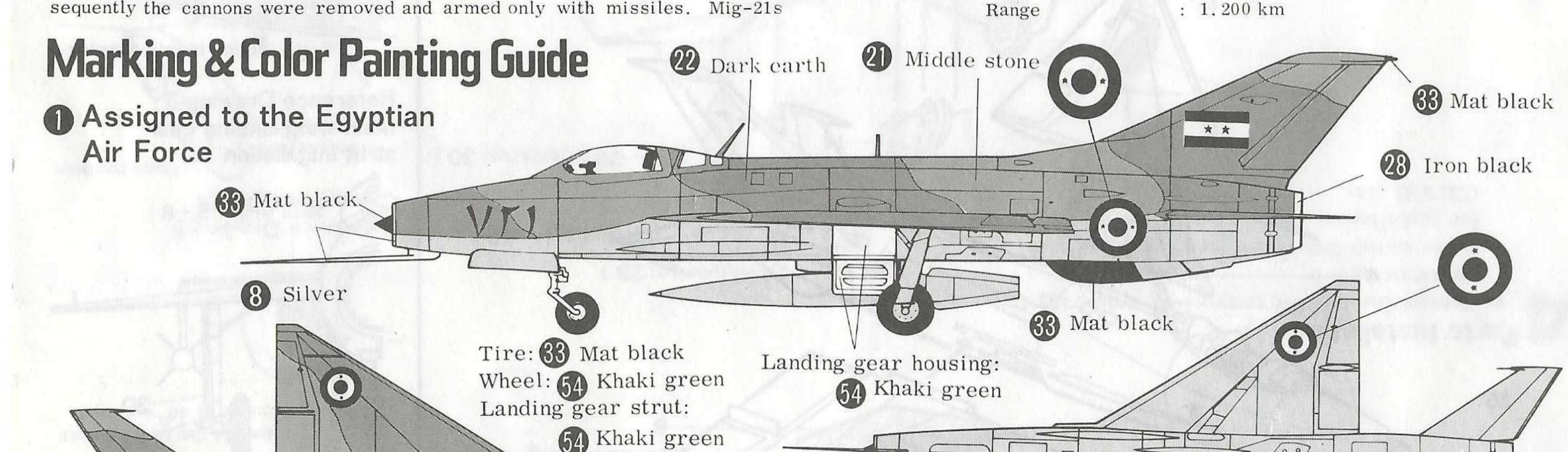
Engine : TDR 31 Turbojet, Thrust 6.500 kg (with afterburner 9.000 kg)

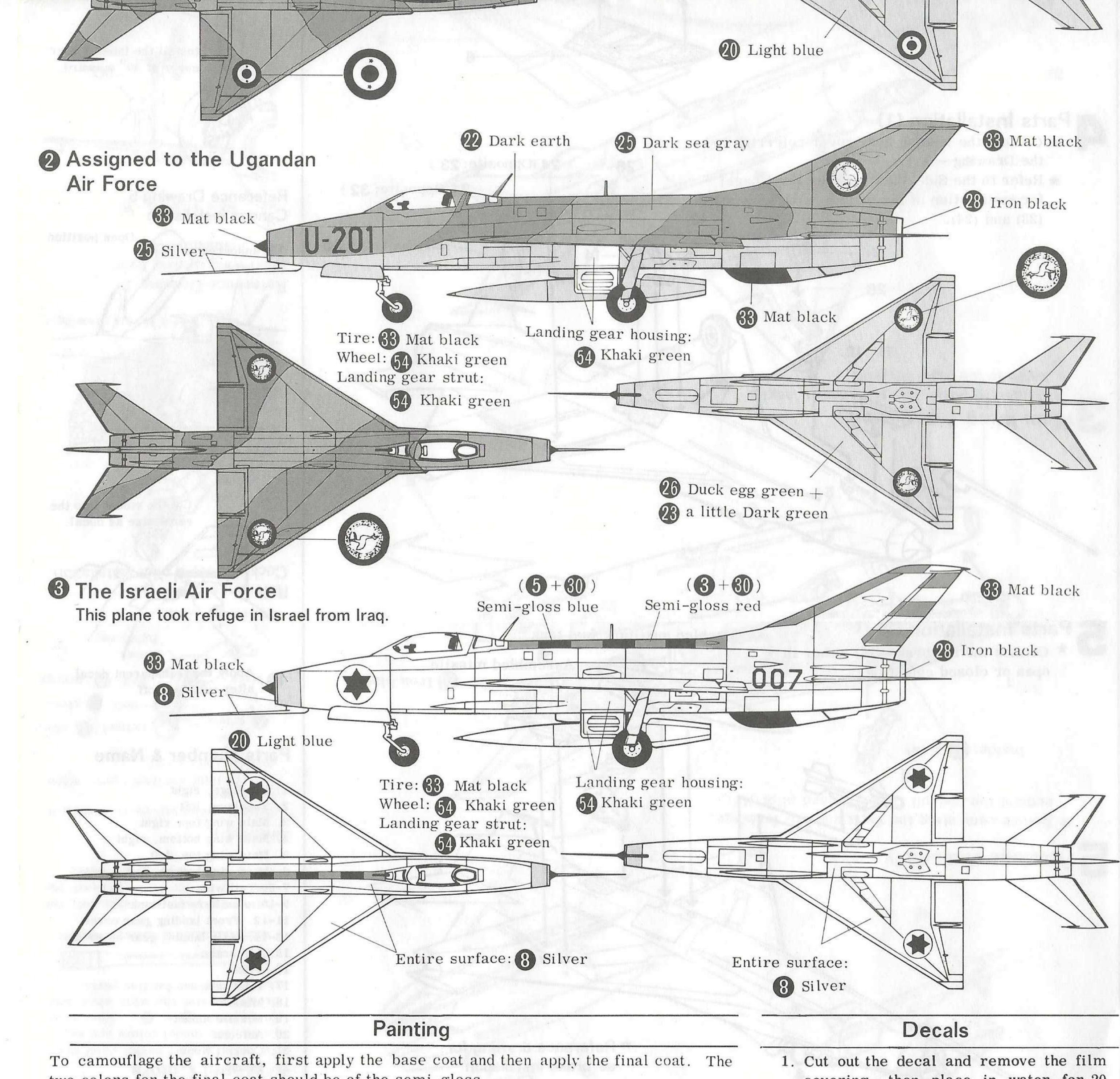
Wing span : 7.62 m Overall length : 14.32 m Overall height : 4.38 m

Wing area : 23.2 m<sup>2</sup>
Weight, : fully armed, 4.380 kg

with extral fuel tank, 8.528 kg
Max. speed: Mach 2 (altitude of 11,000 m)

Max. speed : Mach 2 (all Service ceiling : 17,600 m

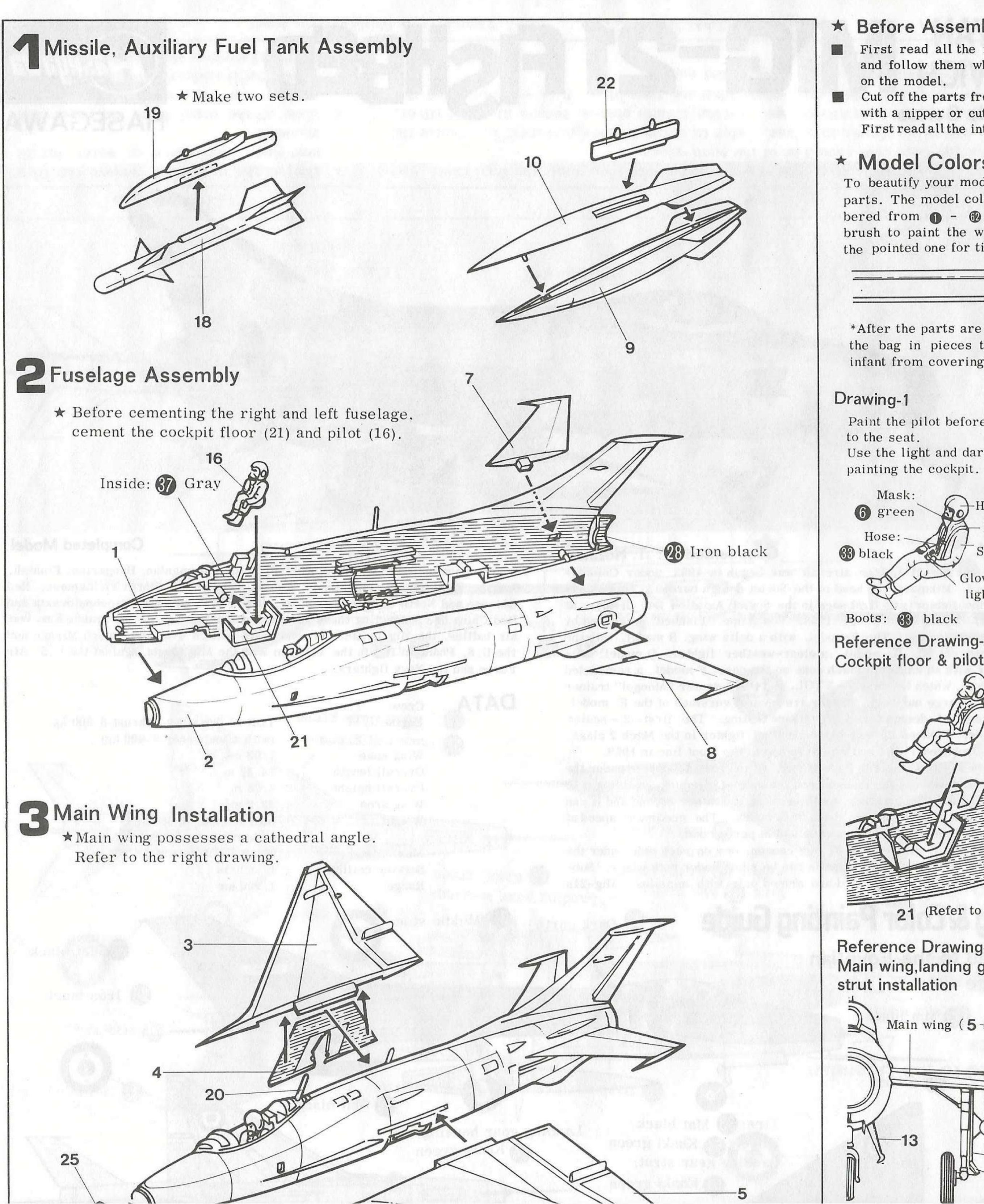




two colors for the final coat should be of the semi-gloss.

To paint the entire air frame in silver, refer to the reference pictures; emphasize the external parts in a different silver tone. On the Israeli planes, before applying silver, apply the semi-gloss red, then semi-gloss blue and light blue. It is recommended that these colors be masked and then the silver paint applied.

- covering, then place in water for 20 seconds.
- 2. Slide off the decal from the paper and position it at the proper place.
- 3. Press the transferred decal with a soft cloth and remove the moisture.

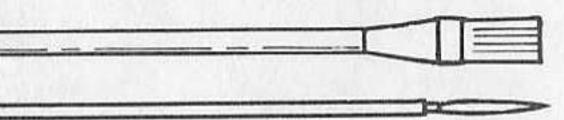


### ★ Before Assembling

- First read all the instructions and follow them when working on the model.
- Cut off the parts from the stem with a nipper or cutter. First read all the introductions

### \* Model Colors

To beautify your model paint each parts. The model colors are numbered from 0 - 10. Use wide brush to paint the wide area and the pointed one for tiny parts.



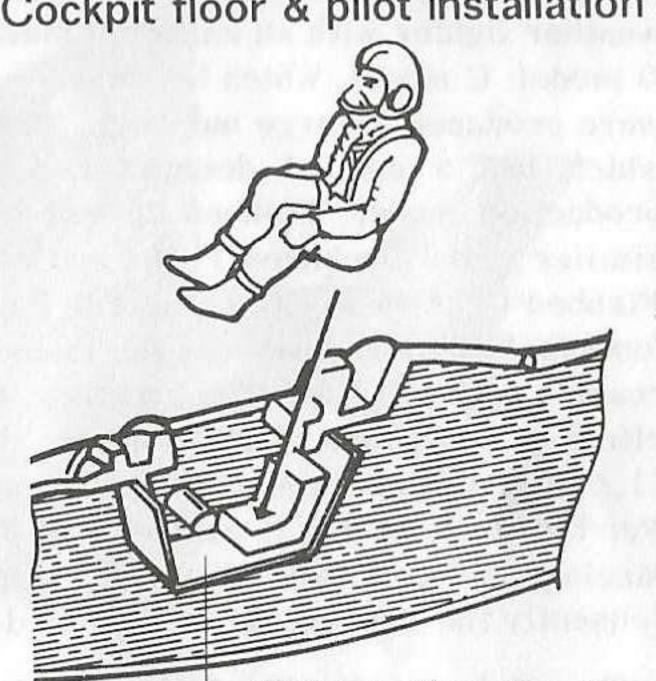
\*After the parts are taken out, cut the bag in pieces to prevent the infant from covering it's head.

Paint the pilot before cementing it to the seat. Use the light and dark gray when



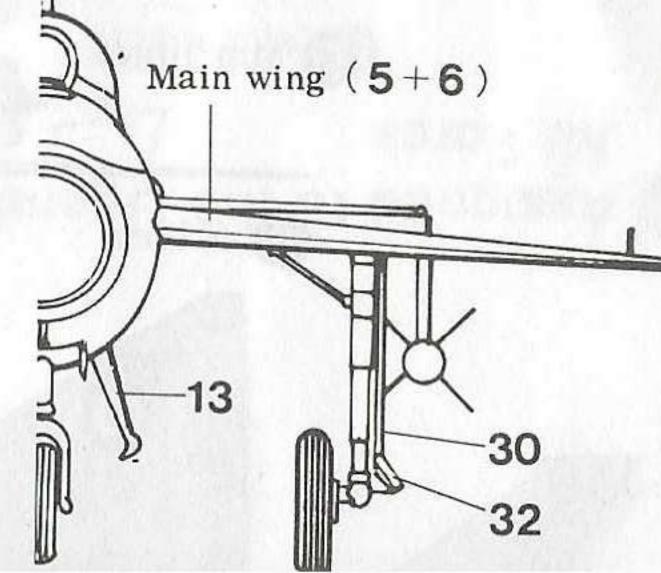
Boots: 3 black

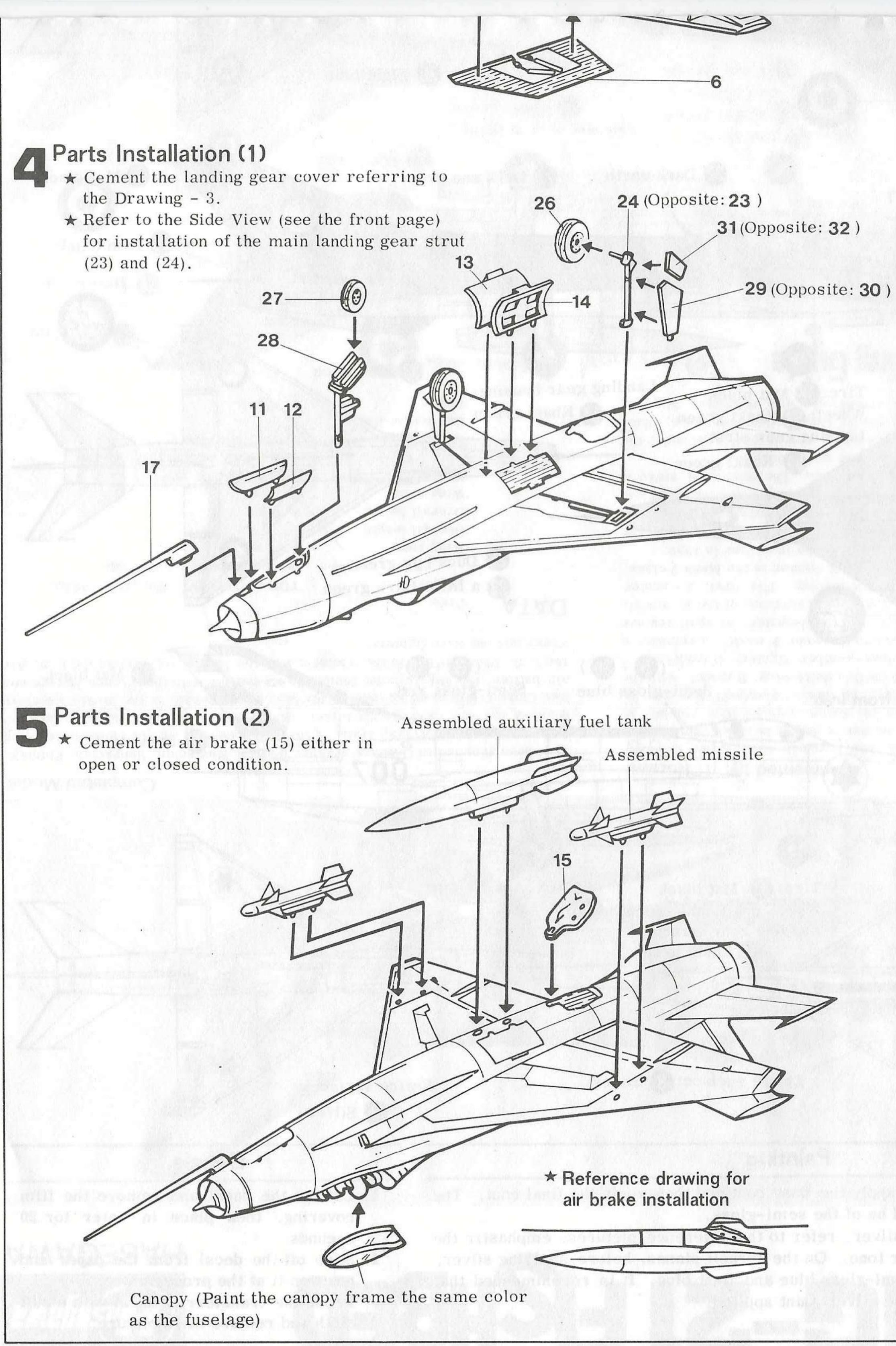
Reference Drawing-2 Cockpit floor & pilot installation

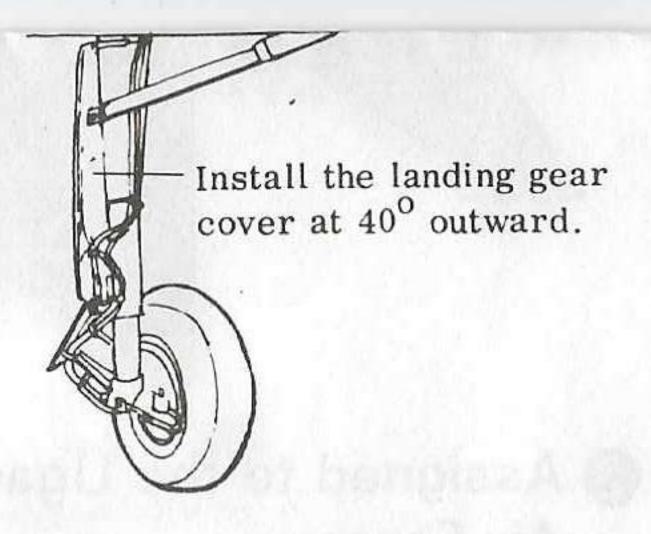


21 (Refer to this drawing.)

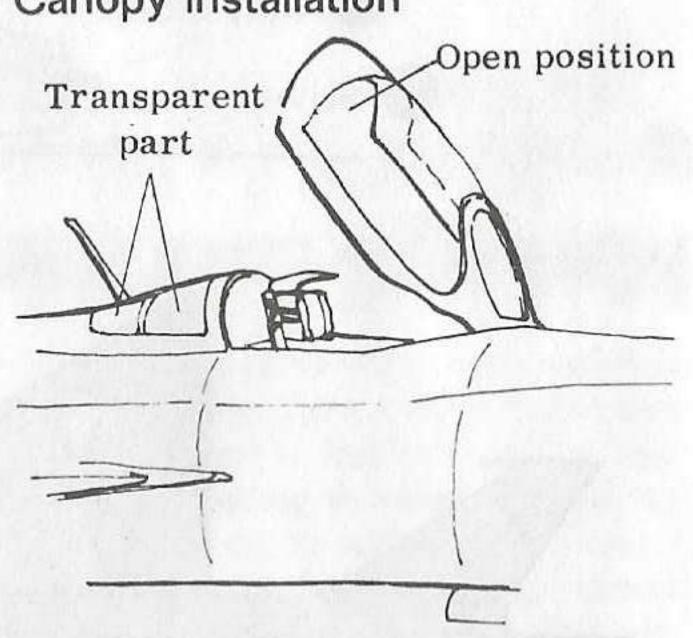
Reference Drawing-3 Main wing, landing gear strut installation



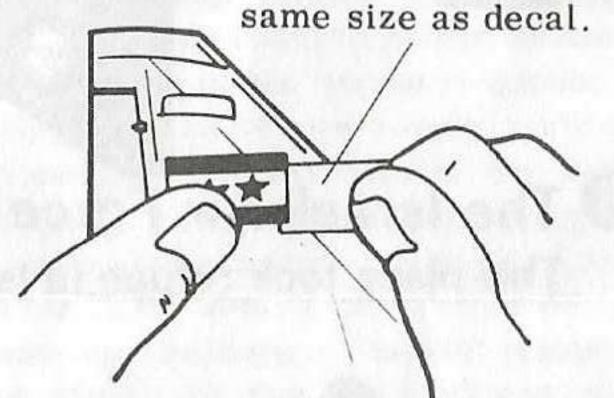




### Reference Drawing-5 Canopy installation



Cut the mount into the same size as decal.



Apply the transparent decal after cutting it off.

### Parts Number & Name

- 1. Fuselage, right
- 2. Fuselage, left
- 3. Main wing top, right
- 4. Main wing bottom, right
- 5. Main wing top, left
- 6. Main wing bottom, left
- 7-8. Tail wing
- 9-10. Auxiliary fuel tank
- 11-12. Front landing gear cover
- 13-14. Main landing gear cover (A)
- 15. Air brake
- 16. Pilot
- 17. Pitot tube
- 18. Missile
- 19. Missile mount
- 20. Antenna
- 21. Cockpit floor
- 22. Pylon
- 23-24. Main landing gear
- 25. Mach cone
- 26. Main wheel
- 27. Front wheel
- 28. Front landing gear strut
- 29-30. Main landing gear cover (B)
- 31-32. Main landing gear cover (C)