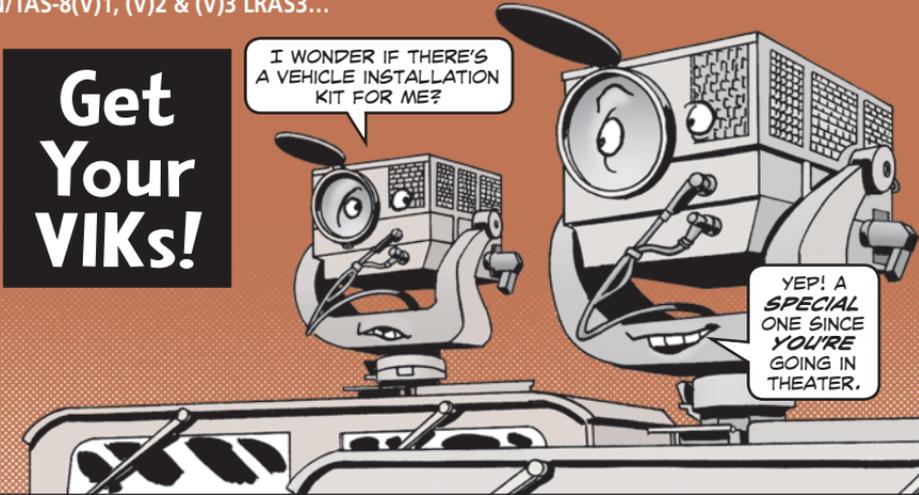


# Get Your VIKs!



I WONDER IF THERE'S  
A VEHICLE INSTALLATION  
KIT FOR ME?

YEP! A  
**SPECIAL**  
ONE SINCE  
**YOU'RE**  
GOING IN  
THEATER.

Dear Editor,

I am an ILS manager for the long range scout surveillance system (LRAS3) AN/TAS-8(V)1, (V)2, & (V)3. I need to get the word out to units using LRAS3 systems that vehicle integration kits (VIKs) are available for vehicles in theater. A VIK lets the LRAS3 be mounted on vehicles that have installed equipment that would prevent a standard installation.

First, a VIK is available to integrate the LRAS3 onto vehicles equipped with the objective gunners protection kit (OGPK) and associated battery-power, motorized-traversing unit (BPMTU). That VIK is the MK-3049/TAS, NSN 5895-01-567-0814.

The MK-3049/TAS works on all versions of the HMMWV and MRAP platforms including the M-ATV.

However, these integration kits do not let you put the LRAS3 on vehicles that have the OGPK overhead armor protection.

Second, a VIK is available to integrate the LRAS3 onto vehicles like M1025 and M1026 HMMWVs equipped with the standard manual turret. That VIK is the MK-2959/TAS, NSN 5895-01-567-0822.

Third, a VIK is available to integrate the LRAS3 onto vehicles like M-1151 and M-1114 HMMWVs equipped with the GPK non-powered turret. That VIK is the MK-3146/TAS, NSN 5895-01-584-4305.

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**Editor's note:** As always, Robert, you have good, absolutely need-to-know, info for LRAS3 users. Also, listen up! Deploying units should not take any component parts of the CONUS VIKs to either theater of operations. These kits are not compatible and will not work properly.