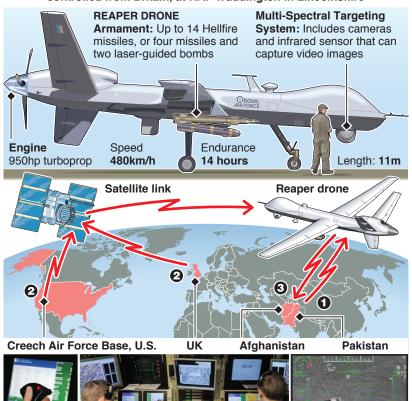
## **UK to double Afghanistan drone force**

The UK is doubling the size of its armed drone fleet in Afghanistan with the purchase of five new Reapers. For the first time, the aircraft will be controlled from Britain, at RAF Waddington in Lincolnshire



- 1 Drone take-off and landing handled by ground crews in conflict zone
- 2 Control is handed to pilot, who flies drone using its camera feed, from airbase in U.S. or UK
- 3 Sensor operator controls surveillance. Footage can be relayed to soldiers inside conflict zone