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## SELEX S&AS support soldiers in 100km challenge

A team from 14 Signal Regiment based in Brawdy, Pembrokeshire have raised significant funds for charity in their bid to take on an ultra marathon in the South Downs. The team have been sponsored £2000 by SELEX Sensors and Airborne Systems (S&AS) to march their way across difficult terrain in a 100km trek which must be completed in under 30 hours. The mass participation ultra-marathon known as Trailwalker will take place on Saturday 15 July to raise money for the Gurkha Welfare Trust and Oxfam.

Staff Sergeant Jamie O'Reilly who is leading the team of four said, "We have been training and feel we are prepared for the trek and hope to complete it under the maximum allowance of 30 hours. It will be a real team event as the clocks only stop when the last man has crossed the line. There will be no sleep and it will be a tough challenge but thanks to Defence Electronics company SELEX S&AS who have sponsored us we will raise money for two well deserving causes."

The 14 Signal Regiment is a specialist unit in electronic warfare which attacks enemy targets by jamming their electronic systems such as radar, gaining electronic intelligence and preventing their equipment from being jammed or disrupted by an enemy force.

Alvin Wilby, Director at SELEX S&AS said, " We have close links with the regiment which go back many years so it was a pleasure to be able to sponsor them and donate the money to charity. I wish them luck for the difficult challenge ahead."

Trailwalker was first held more than 25 years ago by the Queen's Gurkha Signals Regiment, in Hong Kong, as a training exercise. The event has since grown into a major fundraising event for Oxfam and the Gurkha Welfare Trust. In 2007, Trailwalker will take place in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan, and England.

### **Notes to Editors:**

None

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