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Dubai 2009: SELEX Galileo strengthens its ties in the Gulf Region with leading solutions in Surveillance, Protection and Awareness

SELEX Galileo, part of the Finmeccanica Group, is a key, reliable partner of the United Arab Emirates, and is taking part in a number of challenging initiatives that are currently ongoing or under development in the Gulf region. Across air, land, sea and Space, SELEX Galileo is partner of choice for all major platform manufacturers and large system integrators.

Employing over 7,000 people in the UK, Italy and the US, SELEX Galileo is a leading Company in the international defence electronics market, with a distinctive strength in airborne mission critical systems and a wide range of capabilities for the battlefield and for homeland security applications.

SELEX Galileo draws on a strong heritage in the design, production and development of Electronic Warfare systems. With dedicated production facilities and an Electronic Warfare Operational Support (EWOS) centre in the UK, SELEX Galileo's Electronic Warfare business is rapidly growing in the UAE and the region. The Company provides advanced EW systems for world leading aircraft including the Eurofighter Typhoon, AgustaWestland AW101 and Boeing's AH-64D Apache Longbow helicopters.

The selection of SELEX Galileo's MCS Full Mission Core System on the Alenia Aermacchi M-346 advanced lead-in fighter trainer for Italy and the UAE further confirms the Company's leadership in integrated avionics and mission systems.

SELEX Galileo's Unmanned Aerial System Falco will soon be engaged in a series of flight campaigns for potential customers in the Gulf region. The System is currently carrying out successful operations with an international customer, performing daily missions under the most demanding environmental conditions.

By successfully performing "hand-over" missions involving a number of Ground Control Stations (GCS), full weight catapult launches and multiple payloads, the Falco UAS has demonstrated its reliability, maturity, flexibility, and most importantly its extended capability, positioning the System at the top end of the tactical UAS category.

Another important area in terms of market opportunities is maritime surveillance where SELEX Galileo is engaged in supporting friendly and allied nations in protecting land and coastal borders.

With more than 40 systems sold in four continents, the Airborne Tactical Observation and Surveillance (ATOS) System is inherently adaptable to suit customers specific requirements and can integrate an unrivalled range of sensors which span Electro-Optics, to Electronically Scanned and Mechanically Scanned radar, Infrared and future Burst Illumination Ladar products. The most recent contracts for the ATOS system include: the Italian MoD where the ATOS will integrate the Seaspray AESA Radar, the Ecuador Navy (where ATOS will also integrate the Seaspray) and a North African country.

Contributing to its customers' full air superiority is one of SELEX Galileo's strategic goals. SELEX Galileo actively supports the Eurofighter Typhoon export strategy, confirming that the Company is a partner of choice for long term programmes. The Company ensures continuous support in the deployment of the Eurofighter Typhoon capability, for which SELEX Galileo develops and delivers

mission critical systems and sensors (including the IRST Pirate, the Captor radar and the DASS Praetorian defensive aids suite).

To further improve its leading position in delivering comprehensive support and service arrangements to its growing customer base, SELEX Galileo has recently created the *Support & Service Solutions* line of business.

At the 2009 Dubai Airshow (from 15 to 19 November), SELEX Galileo will be demonstrating a number of its core technologies and products. For further information come and visit us at the Finmeccanica stand or visit our website at www.selexgalileo.com.

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