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### **SELEX GALILEO Signs Landmark Agreement with RFMD**

SELEX GALILEO, a Finmeccanica company and one of Europe's foremost Aerospace and Defense organisations signed on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May a strategic supply agreement with RF Micro Devices (RFMD), a global leader in the design and manufacture of high-performance radio frequency systems and solutions.

The move marks a new era in the supply of semiconductor technology to SELEX GALILEO. Previously, this was provided by Filtronic Compound Semiconductors Limited (FCSL) from its foundry facility at Newton Aycliffe. After the recent acquisition of FCSL by RFMD the time was judged to be right to re-baseline the supply relationship. SELEX GALILEO and RFMD's subsidiary, RFMD (UK) Ltd have therefore now established a new strategic supply agreement which addresses this aspect of supply on a long term basis from the Newton Aycliffe facility.

It is anticipated that the new agreement will play a pivotal role in SELEX GALILEO's delivery of a range of key programmes, including state of the art AESA Radar products, whilst forging strong foundations for future business collaborations.

Speaking at the special signing ceremony which took place on May 23<sup>rd</sup> in London, Norman Bone, Senior Vice President, Radar and Advanced Targeting said:

'We operate in a highly competitive market so it is crucial that we align ourselves strategically with the best possible suppliers who will allow us to deliver our challenging business goals. RFMD's diverse portfolio of state-of-the-art semiconductor technologies combined with their RF systems expertise made them an obvious choice for our company. We look forward to forging a strong and successful relationship.'

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