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L3 selects SELEX Galileo PicoSAR radar for SPYDR

SELEX Galileo, a Finmeccanica company, is pleased to announce that it has partnered with L-3 to provide the PicoSAR as a best-of-class modular payload option on the SPYDR Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) aircraft.

PicoSAR provides high performance SAR imaging together with detection and tracking of ground moving targets. The lightweight system provides true all-weather target detection capability to significantly extend the operational utility of the platform.

Alastair Morrison, Senior Vice President of Radar and Advanced Targeting said "SELEX Galileo is confident that the addition of our PicoSAR AESA capability will significantly enhance the world-class ISR capability demonstrated by the SPYDR platform. We are pleased to have been selected as the radar supplier and look forward to working with L3 on SPYDR and other related activities in the future."

The selection is the latest in a number of recent successes for the PicoSAR system, which has been chosen by three other customers in the past few months and is now in operation with more than six international end users. The system has also been trialled in Europe, the US and the Middle East on a number of fixed and rotary wing platforms.

Notes to Editors:

PicoSAR is one of a family of AESA radars that includes the Vixen family of fire control radars and the Seaspray family of surveillance radars which are in operation in the United States, on the USCG HC- 130H aircraft and under contract for the UK Royal Navy Surface Combatant Maritime Rotorcraft (Future Lynx). PicoSAR utilises common technology and techniques used on SELEX Galileo's other radar programmes.

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