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Ultra Electronics Holdings plc
("Ultra" or "the Group")

Ultra Wins £9m Contract to Provide Dismounted Counter Mine Capability for the British Army

Ultra announces that its Command & Control Systems business, based at Loudwater, Buckinghamshire, England, has been awarded a contract worth over £9m to provide the British Army with a Dismounted Counter Mine Capability (DCMC).

Ultra, acting as the prime contractor, will deliver to the British Army the capability to detect, mark, and clear land mines. The contract has been awarded by the Defence Procurement Agency of the UK Ministry of Defence and calls for the DCMC project to be delivered in two phases. The first phase, with deliveries commencing in 2007, will provide a new handheld mine detection system, improved personal protection and marking equipment together with enhanced training equipment and facilities. The second phase will include a man-portable rapid minefield breaching system together with associated training equipment. Deliveries against the second phase will commence in 2009.

The danger from landmines is a continuing threat in areas of operational conflict. Ultra will provide a step change in capability to the British Army by using its project management skills, proven systems engineering capabilities and domain expertise to lead a team of best-of-breed subcontractors to execute this DCMC programme. Ultra's solution will balance risk, capability, technology, and cost-effectiveness throughout the system's whole life cycle.

Douglas Caster, Chief Executive of Ultra commented:

"Ultra is committed to providing advanced systems that will help protect armed forces personnel involved in operations overseas. The award of this contract underpins Ultra's position in a new specialist area and underlines the Group's growing reputation ability as a systems integrator capable of delivering a broad range of solutions to real operational requirements worldwide."

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Ultra Electronics is a group of specialist businesses designing, manufacturing and supporting electronic and electromechanical systems, sub-systems and products for defence, security and aerospace applications worldwide.

Ultra, which employs 3,000 people in the UK and North America, focuses on high integrity sensing, control, communication and display systems with an emphasis on integrated information technology solutions. The Group concentrates on obtaining a technological edge in niche markets, with many of its products and technologies being market leaders in their field.

Ultra's products and services are used on aircraft, ships, submarines, armoured vehicles, surveillance systems, airports and transport systems around the world. Ultra also plays an important role in supporting prime contractors by undertaking specialist system and sub-system integration using the combined expertise of the Group businesses.

Ultra is organised into three divisions as follows:

Aircraft & Vehicle Systems including miniature airborne compressors; high integrity software and systems; aircraft system electronics; aircraft cockpit indicators; aircraft noise and vibration control systems; airframe protection systems, armoured vehicle electronic information and control systems; human/computer interface equipment and shared working environment solutions.

Information & Power Systems including command and control systems equipment; weapons interfacing electronics; radar tracking; electro optical tracking; surveillance systems; naval data processing and distribution; airport and airline information management systems; ID card systems; naval power conversion; signature management of naval vessels; transit system power conversion and control.

Tactical & Sonar Systems including secure tactical line-of-sight radio systems, multiplexers and switches; voice communication systems; tactical data links; cryptographic equipment; active, passive and multi-static sonobuoys; sonobuoy receivers and processors; distributed surveillance sensor arrays; ship's sonar systems; acoustic countermeasure systems and ship's torpedo defence systems.