



GMAS OPENS HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA OFFICE; SEES C-27J AS FCA SOLUTION

HUNTSVILLE, Ala.—November 3, 2005--Global Military Aircraft Systems (GMAS), a joint venture company of L-3 Communications' (NYSE:LLL) subsidiary, Integrated Systems and Alenia North America, Inc. (a Finmeccanica company) will open an office in Perimeter Corporate Park in Huntsville, Alabama, the home of U.S. Army PEO Aviation.

The office at 1525 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 150, will serve as the program office for the C-27J aircraft which GMAS will submit as a solution for the U.S. Army's Future Cargo Aircraft (FCA) program. The office is in close proximity to Redstone Arsenal and will serve as the focal point for the all the joint venture's Army Aviation programs. GMAS General Manager Howard Yellen will head the office when he joins the team in mid-November. GMAS Deputy General Manager Stan Yackel will also be located at the Perimeter Corporate Park address.

The Huntsville location was chosen as part of GMAS' "customer first" philosophy and will facilitate immediate access and responsiveness to customer needs.

"Our continued presence in Huntsville and in Alabama is in keeping with our dedication to providing the best solution to the warfighter's needs," said Alison Hartley, Vice President Business Development, L-3 Communications Integrated Systems.

"GMAS is delighted to be a part of this wonderful community and we look forward to providing the best solutions to the defense industry to serve the needs of the men and women in the armed forces," said Jaime Thurmond, Vice President, Military Programs, Alenia North America, Inc.

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GMAS is offering the C-27J Spartan aircraft to the Army for its Future Cargo Aircraft program and will also pursue other opportunities requiring the use of a medium-range military airlift vehicle. The Future Cargo Aircraft program is a key component in the Army's transformation of its fixed wing fleet and will fill the capability gap in joint aerial delivery systems. The FCA selection is currently planned for FY06, with contract award in early 2007.

Under the joint venture agreement, L-3 Integrated Systems and Alenia North America, Inc. manage GMAS. L-3 is a leader in aircraft modernization, systems integration, contractor logistics support, training, and simulation. Alenia is a leader in the design and manufacturing of commercial and military aircraft. For additional information on GMAS, please visit www.C-27J.com

Alenia Aeronautica, headquartered in Rome, Italy is a company of the Finmeccanica Group. Alenia Aeronautica has revenues in excess of 1.2 billion Euros and a total work force of more 8,600 employees. Its' main activities comprise design and production of commercial and military aircraft, design and production of aerostructures for military and civil aircraft and through Aeronavali, a wholly owned subsidiary, overall maintenance and modification of military and civil aircraft. Alenia Aeronautica is a partner of and cooperates with the major global aerospace groups, including Boeing, Lockheed Martin, Airbus, EADS, Dassault, BAE Systems and Vought.

Alenia North America Inc. is headquartered in Washington, D.C. and also has offices in Seattle, Washington; Long Beach, California; Fort Worth, Texas; and Ottawa, Canada. Alenia North America is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alenia Aeronautica. Alenia North America has more than 300 employees in the United States and has been entrusted by its parent company to consolidate and further expand the industrial and commercial presence of the Alenia Group in North America. It is the company utilized for major aeronautical programs and collaborative Joint Ventures with major U.S. companies.

L-3/IS is recognized internationally as a system integration organization specializing in the modernization and maintenance of aircraft of all sizes, and the study, design, development, and integration of special mission systems for military and commercial applications. The company has modified more than 15,000 different aircraft of more than 125 types. Headquartered in Greenville, Texas, L3/IS operates from multiple sites in Texas, Mississippi, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Virginia, Maryland, Alabama and Australia.

Headquartered in New York City, L-3 Communications is a leading provider of Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) systems, secure communications systems, aircraft modernization, training, and government services. The company is a leading merchant supplier of a broad array of high technology products, including guidance and navigation, sensors, scanners, fuzes, data links, propulsion systems, simulators, avionics, electro optics, satellite communications, electrical power equipment, encryption, signal intelligence, antennas and microwave components. L-3 also supports a variety of Homeland Security initiatives with products and services. Its customers include the Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security, selected U.S. Government intelligence agencies and aerospace prime contractors.



To learn more about L-3 Communications, please visit the company's web site at www.L-3Com.com.

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