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PRESS NOTE

Selex ES signed up for two year extension to UK MoD's Project Baker support contract

Selex ES, a Finmeccanica company, has been awarded a two year extension to their contract with the UK MoD to provide support for the Baker Defensive Aids System (DAS) fitted to British Chinook helicopters. The contract uplift will extend the support until March 2015 for the whole of the UK's Chinook fleet including the new Mk6 aircraft due for delivery to the UK from the end of 2013.

Project Baker originally saw Selex ES taking part in an Urgent Operational Requirement (UOR) to provide an integrated DAS for the RAF's Chinook Mk2 and Mk3 helicopters. Since then the company has provided support to ongoing operations through the Baker DAS support contract and has continued to develop new ideas and solutions, especially for issues that have been raised in theatre.

"Having our EW experts working closely with our customers on a day-to-day basis allows us to better understand their needs. This means that when they have a problem or request we can respond swiftly and comprehensively." said Pete Forrest, VP Marketing and Sales for Electronic Warfare at Selex ES, adding; "The satisfaction our customer has shown in our performance is directly responsible for this contract extension."

Notes to editors

The Baker integrated DAS is derived from Selex ES's combat-proven HIDAS (Helicopter Integrated Defensive Aids System), currently protecting British Army Apaches in-theatre.

Alongside Project Baker, Selex ES also leads the industry team working on the UK MoD's Common Defensive Aids System (CDAS) Technology Demonstrator Programme (TDP). CDAS will create an open-architecture integrated defensive aids system (DAS) aimed at enabling the easy integration of sensors and countermeasures into frontline aircraft to enhance protection against future threats.