

PRESS RELEASE

Team Spartan Kicks-off Canadian Partner Tour in Halifax, NS

Halifax, Nova Scotia, July 9, 2013 – Tomorrow, July 10, in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Team Spartan will launch its Canadian partner tour in support of its Fixed Wing Search and Rescue Replacement Program offering, the C-27J. Scheduled to run from July 10 -18, the cross-country tour also includes stops in Montreal, Toronto, Sudbury and Vancouver.

The team's stop in Nova Scotia will involve a series of one-on-one meetings with potential partners. Together, the team will be looking to learn about the capabilities of select Eastern Canadian companies, while focusing on identifying opportunities to bring economic benefit to Atlantic Canada.

"This partner tour represents another important step in building and strengthening Team Spartan's Canadian supply chain. Our team, which already includes two world-class Canadian companies, General Dynamics Canada and DRS Technologies Canada Ltd, is dedicated to advancing the Canadian economy, with particular emphasis on well-balanced, regional distribution of benefits and involvement of SMEs," said Ben Stone, President and Chief Executive Officer of Alenia Aermacchi North America. "Atlantic Canada plays a significant role in Canada's aerospace sector – which is why we are so eager to engage with potential suppliers in this region. We look forward to identifying new partners and ways to help strengthen Atlantic Canada's industrial base over the long-term."

Team Spartan is committed to driving superior economic benefits to all parts of Canada. The team's FWSAR offering will provide incremental value for Canadians by creating and supporting new jobs, new work, and new opportunity within Canada's aerospace sector. Additionally, Team Spartan's approach on the FWSAR program aligns perfectly with recent recommendations made in the Jenkins report. Not only is the team interested in aligning its industrial regional benefit plan with one or more of the Key Industrial Capabilities identified, but it is committed to forming strong in-country partnerships that include transfer of meaningful work to all partners.

As the Team will be unable to meet with all interested suppliers in Atlantic Canada, companies looking to engage Team Spartan are encouraged to register on Team Spartan's new supplier registration page at: www.C-27J.ca.

About Alenia Aermacchi

Alenia Aermacchi, a Finmeccanica company, has a role of primary importance in the world's civil and defence aeronautical industry counts a total workforce of ca. 11,000 people and operates in the design, development, production and integrated support of commercial and military aircraft, trainers, unmanned aerial vehicles and aerostructures. In 2012 it reported revenues of € 2.97 billions, orders of € 3.2 billion and a backlog of € 8.8 billion.

About General Dynamics Canada

With an established Canadian presence for more than 60 years with employees in Ottawa, Calgary and Halifax, General Dynamics Canada is Canada's largest defence electronics company with a worldwide reputation for excellence in the production of leading-edge, technology-based, integrated solutions for land, airborne and maritime applications. The company's success is based on strong systems engineering experience, ongoing investment in research and development, collaboration with commercial and military systems industry leaders, and a singular focus on customer service. The company's portfolio of next-generation Command, Control, Communication, Computing, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) solutions and integrated mission systems is backed by complete systems integration and in-service support. General Dynamics Canada is part of General Dynamics C4 Systems, a business unit of General Dynamics (NYSE: GD). More information about the company is available at www.gdcanada.com.

About DRS Technologies Canada

DRS Technologies Canada Ltd. designs, manufactures and supports a broad range of military communications, electro-optics, surveillance, and sensor signal processing systems for naval and ground applications as well as electronic warfare threat simulation and training systems ranging from computer-based training to high-power threat simulators. DRS Technologies Canada Ltd. is also an experienced provider of turnkey state-of-the-art electronics manufacturing, integration and test services for various aerospace, defence and space applications. DRS Technologies Canada, Ltd. is a subsidiary of DRS Technologies, Inc. (DRS), a leading supplier of integrated products, services and support to military forces, intelligence agencies and prime contractors worldwide, and a wholly owned subsidiary of Finmeccanica SpA (FNC.MI).

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