Leonardo awarded a contract for FAA’s distance measuring equipment system

- Distance Measuring Equipment is key component of the Federal Aviation Administration’s navigational aids in the US National Airspace, helping to enable NextGen Performance Based Navigation strategy

Rome, 28 May 2020 – Leonardo’s U.S. subsidiary, Selex ES Inc., developer of surveillance, en route navigation, and precision approach and landing systems, was recently awarded a contract by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to continue to build USA’s Distance Measuring Equipment (DME). The contract has a one-year base period and two one-year option periods. Along with the previous FAA Selex ES DME contract; Selex ES expects to provide more than 200 DMEs to the National Airspace (NAS). Work will be performed in Overland Park, Kansas.

The scope of the contract includes program management, systems engineering, design and development, system test and evaluation, training, production, Interim Contractor Depot Logistics Support (ICDLS), and site implementation. The DME system will help the FAA increase operational availability and performance of the NAS, supporting common and consistent interface requirements, and providing a modern system that complies with current FAA security standards.

Selex ES is the world’s premiere vendor of DMEs, having delivered over 1200 DME systems over the last 25 years to key customers around the globe including FAA, DFS in Germany, Skeyes in Belgium, EANA in Argentina, and ANWS in Taiwan. The company is proud to be a trusted supplier to the FAA and grateful for the continued confidence that FAA has in its team and technology.

About Leonardo and its U.S. subsidiary, Selex ES Inc.

Leonardo is a global player in the high-tech sectors and a major operator worldwide in the Aerospace, Defense and Security sectors. Headquartered in Italy, Leonardo employs over 49,000 people in over 20 countries with offices and industrial plants across five continents. Leonardo’s U.S. subsidiary, Selex ES Inc., is headquartered in Overland Park, Kansas, USA and is a leading supplier of surveillance, en route navigation, precision approach, and systems to Air Navigation Service Providers, airport authorities, militaries, government agencies, and commercial and industrial operators. In the heartland of the United States, Selex ES has designed, produced, delivered, and supported ground-based radio navigation aids and surveillance solutions for over 30 years on all seven continents. Selex ES provides complete design, development, production, test, installation, training, integration, maintenance, and customer service.