

**DRS TECHNOLOGIES TO DEVELOP KEY RELATIONSHIP WITH THALES OPTRONIQUE
TO PRODUCE FULL-STARE DISTRIBUTED APERTURE NAVAL INFRARED
SEARCH AND TRACK SYSTEM**

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Highlights / Key Facts:

- DRS Technologies, Inc. will be hosting a ceremonial signing during the Navy League's Sea-Air-Space Exposition in honor and recognition of the key Teaming Agreement entered into with Thales Optronique S.A. of Élancourt, France.
- The purpose of the relationship is the development of a full-stare distributed aperture naval Infrared Search & Track (IRST) product called OMNISTARE, which is expected to target the North American market.
- The honorary event will be held on Tuesday, May 4 2010 at the Navy League's Sea-Air-Space Exposition at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center National Harbor, MD.

About the Teaming Agreement:

- Finalized in July, 2009 the teaming relationship is the result of dedicated efforts by Thales Optronique S.A. and DRS Technologies over the past year to develop a joint strategy and approach for the OMNISTARE product.
- Each organization is recognized as having significant experience and expertise in IRST design and development.
- Currently, DRS and Thales Naval Netherlands are delivering 17 Sirius IRST systems for installation and deployment on board the Canadian Halifax Class Frigates and Dutch Zeven Provinciën Frigates.
- In 2005, Thales Optronique S.A received a contract award from the French MoD to develop, produce and deliver eight Artemis IRST systems for the latest generation of European multi-mission frigate.

About the Product:

- OMNISTARE is a cost-effective IRST sensor for providing situational awareness in the littoral environment as a key component of naval anti-ship missile defense and force protection capability.
- It is capable of automatically detecting and tracking both air and surface targets simultaneously, including stealthy threats such as "sea skimming" missiles, low-altitude fighters, helicopters as well as a large variety of asymmetric threats such as fast patrol boats and small-craft.

Executive Quote

- Alan Dietrich, president, DRS C3 & Aviation Group: “We are extremely pleased with the signing of a collaborative agreement with Thales Optronique S.A for the development of a new full-stare distributed aperture naval IRST. OMNISTARE is ideally suited to complement the existing sensors of a naval ship by providing detection, cueing and visual information of potential threats.”
- Serge Adrian, managing director of the Thales Optronics Business Line: “We are very proud that DRS has distinguished our leading technology to become the basis of their future competitive offer for the North American above surface naval market. We look forward working with DRS to make that solution a high-performing standard.”

About DRS Technologies:

- DRS Technologies, headquartered in Parsippany, NJ, is a leading supplier of integrated products, services and support to military forces, intelligence agencies and prime contractors worldwide. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Finmeccanica S.p.A. (FNC.MI) which employs more than 73,000 people worldwide. For more information about DRS Technologies, please visit the company’s website at www.drs.com

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