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Xtralis and VSK Group Join Forces to Form a Security and Surveillance Technology Power House

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(Melbourne Australia September 25th 2007) VSK Group, the Belgian subsidiary of Allied Defense Group, has been acquired for USD \$49 million. VSK designs, develops and markets sophisticated electronic security systems throughout Europe, Africa, the Middle East and the United States. Xtralis' globally recognized brands include ADPRO security surveillance systems, ASIM traffic detection systems, PROACTIV fire control and management solutions and VESDA very early warning smoke detection.

VSK and Xtralis will be run by newly appointed CEO, Samir Samhouri. Mr Samhouri will ensure that VSK and Xtralis work together to build their combined presence in the global security market.

Mr Samhouri said the joint work with VSK Group will provide Xtralis with complementary technologies. "Gaining access to VSK's technology and products is an important strategic step for Xtralis as the company looks to further expand its footprint globally and strengthen its superior detection and analysis technologies," said Mr Samhouri. "Working together, Xtralis and VSK will be able to offer more competitive solutions to our target markets".

“VSK complements Xtralis’ video security and fire protection systems with a broad portfolio of IP networked surveillance solutions while its dominant access control platforms will add to the breadth of capabilities and tools available to both companies.”

To learn more about this exciting development and how the VSK acquisition further strengthens Xtralis’s security product offering, visit www.xtralis.com

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About Xtralis

Xtralis is a global leader in very early warning smoke detection, fire protection system monitoring and control, traffic detection and security surveillance systems which protect life safety, critical assets and business continuity around the world. Xtralis operates a global network of companies in Australia, Asia, Europe and the Americas. Brands include

ADPRO®

Video Security Systems and Solutions

The ADPRO brand is renowned for providing sophisticated digital video security systems and solutions of the highest quality and based on the latest technology. With advanced integration capabilities and an acute understanding of operational efficiency, ADPRO continues to offer seamless security solutions that exceed the risk management demands of today's businesses.

ASIM

Traffic detection systems

The ASIM range of products employ several leading edge detection technologies to optimize traffic monitoring, control and data acquisition performance. ASIM products provide a wide variety of solutions for traffic applications including intersection control, occupancy measurement, presence detection, speed assessment and data collection.

PROACTIV

Fire control and management solutions

PROACTIV monitors and manages entire very early warning fire protection systems by fully integrating VESDA Air-sampling Smoke Detectors and conventional system components. The PROACTIV system is the fire protection system of choice at many of the world's most important facilities; greatly minimizing the risks to life safety, the potential for critical asset damage and the possibility of production downtime.

VESDA®

Very Early Warning smoke detection

The market leader in Air-sampling Smoke Detection, VESDA products ensure life safety, protect assets and prevent disruptions to business continuity in industries such as transportation, manufacturing, datacom, utilities and storage services. VESDA smoke detectors are recognized world wide for their ability to reliably protect a diverse range of businesses, often in extremely challenging environments.

Applications Engineering Services

Smoke, fire and system modeling and testing, system design, application research and fire science

Xtralis uses a range of sophisticated modeling techniques, such as CFD, and in-situ tests to solve challenging fire safety problems. Fit-for-purpose design ensures enhanced building and life safety, maintenance of business continuity and supports risk management strategies and enhanced commercial returns. Our Applications Engineering Group assists fire industry professionals in developing or appraising the performance and effectiveness of innovative fire detection, control and voice alarm system designs. This includes studying the impact of changing environmental or operating conditions such as air-flows, smoke stratification and responses to a variety of fire hazards. Using fire industry best practice, our services provide clients with the expertise to meet their system design and performance criteria.