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THALES SELECTS SEOS AS OUTSOURCING PARTNER TO PROVIDE ALL FUTURE WIDE CROSS-COCKPIT COLLIMATED DISPLAYS

SEOS, the leading supplier of out-the-window displays for simulation, has recently been selected by Thales as its outsourcing partner for the supply of all future cross-cockpit collimated displays.

In this strategic move Jeremy Standen, Thales, MD Simulation UK, said, 'deciding to outsource the supply of our WIDE product was a critical activity for Thales. In selecting SEOS, and therefore capitalizing on the benefits of SEOS' PANORAMA[®] product, we are sure that we have the best partner in terms of technology, innovation and customer support. It is vital to us that our customers continue to receive the best possible solution and with SEOS, Thales will be in the strongest position to achieve this. We have worked closely with SEOS over the years and I am delighted we are able to cement this relationship with the outsourcing award of such a critical element of our 2000X product range.

The complex agreement covers transfer of all activities associated with the WIDE product. SEOS will take over Thales' tools and assets to ensure consistency and continuity of product line. After months of thorough development, integration and test activity, deliveries will start in December 2007. SEOS will also take over responsibility for performing certain aspects of ongoing legacy support of Thales WIDE products, including mirror re-skins. Thales customers are advised to continue contacting their Thales regional Service Centres for all visual support issues.

John Bullivant, CEO SEOS, said, 'We are delighted Thales has decided to outsource their large scale optics work to us with this long term supply agreement. We have spent many months working with Thales to thoroughly address all the issues relating to the transfer of knowledge and ensure continuity of supply for the WIDE product.'

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ABOUT SEOS

SEOS is a leading global supplier of immersive visual display solutions, offering a complete design, development, manufacture, installation and support service. Our products are used worldwide in simulators for military and commercial flight, air traffic control, marine and surface transportation, as well as for planetariums, science centers and digital immersive theater applications.

ABOUT THALES

Thales is a leading international electronics and systems group serving defence, aerospace and security markets worldwide, supported by a comprehensive services offering. The company's civil and military businesses develop in parallel to serve a single objective: the security of people, property and nations. Leveraging a global network of high-level researchers, Thales offers a capability unmatched in Europe to develop and deploy critical information systems.