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To :
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Subj. : Re: [TICHE] Fake News article published. IDE Response

Dear Sir,

We, INTRACOM DEFENSE S.A. (IDE) fully agree that article <https://www.nortes.me/2024/03/21/la-universidad-de-oviedo-participa-en-un-proyecto-de-investigacion-militar-para-la-principal-empresa-estatal-de-armamento-israeli/> does not correspond to reality and is misleading for the following reasons:

IDE is a Greek company registered and operating in Greece and is one of the leading companies in electronics, advanced communication systems and software applications in the defense and security area in Europe. As one of its major activities, IDE participates in joint multinational research and development, integration and production EU programs in co-operation with major international defense systems companies and research organizations. TICHE is among the important programs focusing on developing a novel multiplatform collaborative solution to detect and characterize hidden Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) and thus further strengthening defence operations and lifesavings, to which IDE proudly participates as Beneficiary due to its competitive advantage and its contribution with its Greek technology, know-how, expertise and capabilities.

IDE upon the completion of acquisition by IAI (Transaction), provided to the Hellenic Competent Authority of the Greek Ministry of National Defence (GDDIA) the required Guarantees, which GDDIA, following thorough examination, approved, and made available to the European Commission that also accepted them in accordance with the EDF Regulation 2021/697. The abovementioned guarantees and measures that have been put in place provided assurances that the IDE's acquisition and IDE's involvement in EU actions would not contravene the security and defence or public order interests of the Union and its Member States, or the objectives of the of actions funded by the EU and EU programs (both EDF and EDIDP) (the "Programs") and that IAI shall not have access to EDF or EDIDP defense articles and/or technical data including the Programs' results.

All works performed under the EDF Programs are executed by IDE's personnel (Greek/EU engineers) and within IDE's facilities in Greece only.

It is also noted that the Hellenic Ministry of National Defence supports and co-funds the EDF development Programs in which IDE participates.

In summary, the results of the Programs:

- and ownership of the intellectual property arising from the action remain within IDE during and after completion of the action and IDE is and will be subject to the applicable national and EU legislation regarding export licenses;
- are not subject to control or restriction by IAI or a non-associated country;
- will not be transferred/exported outside the eligible countries as specified in the Programs; and
- cannot be accessed from outside GREECE or outside other eligible countries or by IAI or by a non-associated country.

We remain at your disposal for any further information or clarification you may request.

Yours sincerely,

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