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SEA HIGHLIGHTS GROWING DEMAND FOR LAUNCHER SYSTEMS IN SOUTH EAST ASIA

Cohort company SEA will look to build upon growing demand in South East Asia for its torpedo and decoy launcher systems when it highlights the capability at the Defense and Security exhibition in Ban Mai, Thailand, on November 6-9.

SEA has recently won an order to provide Hyundai Heavy Industries (HHI) in South Korea with Torpedo Launcher Systems (TLS) for two new frigates being built for the Philippines Navy and is also engaged in providing TLS and weapons handling systems for a new class of Combatant Ships under construction for Malaysia. This follows the supply of a TLS for the Royal Thai Navy's latest frigate, which was built by DSME in South Korea.

SEA is looking to build upon this pedigree with the supply of a triple trainable deck mounted system for a further frigate under consideration by the Royal Thai Navy. In addition, there are several more opportunities in frigate new build and refurbishment projects throughout SE Asia.

One of the major benefits of SEA's TLS is that they can be configured to fire any NATO standard light weight torpedo, enabling operators to benefit from the flexibility of choosing the best weapon independently and the option of re-configuring during the life of the ship.

The modular nature of the SEA TLS also means that by utilising a common tube selection panel as part of the combat management system the fire control electronics can be adapted to interface with the ship's decoy launchers as well as the TLS.

SEA's SE Asia Vice President, Strategic Accounts, David Hinds explains: "Our systems are based on over 30 years of experience supplying and supporting the UK Royal Navy and there is a growing demand for our launchers in SE Asia."

In addition, SEA's torpedo and decoy launchers are being developed to integrate with the company's thin line KraitArray towed Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) sonar as part of a wider detection and countermeasures defence system – Krait Defence System - that uses common software to integrate SEA's proven range of launchers.

- SEA will be located on stand P17, within the UK Pavilion, at Defense and Security Thailand.

Notes to Editors:

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SEA employs circa 300 high-calibre staff and has offices in Beckington, Bristol, Barnstaple and Aberdeen.

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