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SEA BUILDS DECKsim CAPABILITY BY ADDING ASIST

Cohort company SEA is enhancing its deck simulation technology used for training Flight Deck Officers by incorporating a virtual representation of the Curtiss Wright Aircraft Ship Integrated and Secure Traverse System (ASIST) into the DECKsim suite.

SEA's Flight Deck Officer trainer is in use both in the UK and overseas. The latest enhancement will be available on new installations or can be retro-fitted to existing simulation software. Some 30 ASIST systems are currently installed or on order for five navies, on seven ship types, operating with five different helicopters worldwide.

The advanced handling technology helps helicopter pilots to make landings during a quiescent period in ship motion. For Flight Deck Officers, on deck manoeuvring is easily conducted with a single operator with no need to connect any ancillary equipment or guide cables to the helicopter.

The unique design of the Indal ASIST RSD makes it possible for the single operator to rotate a 30,000 pound helicopter through 360 degrees within the confines of the flight deck, while maintaining complete security in extreme sea states.

SEA Business Development Executive, Andy McGowan explained: "For navies employing ASIST, familiarity with the systems procedures is essential for Flight Deck Officers and other crew members operating in the aircraft environment. It will also add capability to our deck simulators enhancing the depth of training that SEA can offer." Traverse System (ASIST)

- SEA will be located on Stand 39 at ITEC, Rotterdam

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Notes to Editors:

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SEA was acquired by Cohort plc in 2007 and today is a major supplier of applied research, technology development, systems integration, specialist electronic systems, engineering and software design services to the defence and security markets. Its engineering and project management skills include naval communications systems, maritime combat systems, through-life support, dismounted soldier systems, subsea engineering and traffic enforcement. Complementing its work for the UK Ministry of Defence, SEA is growing its business overseas and extending its expertise into adjacent markets, including offshore, railways and roads.

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

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