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STAC Approves L-3 eXaminer[®] SX Explosives Detection System

WOBURN, Mass., January 20, 2009 – L-3 Security & Detection Systems announced today that their eXaminer SX explosives detection system (EDS) has been approved by the *Service Technique de l'Aviation Civile* (STAC), the engineering department of France's aviation regulatory agency, for compliance with the European Union Commission Regulation Standard 3. STAC tests and approves the performance of systems and equipment contributing to aviation safety and security.

“Airports across the globe are demanding a reliable, low-cost explosives detection system with advanced features and a high degree of operational efficiency,” said Thomas Ripp, president of L-3 Security & Detection Systems. “With the expanded capabilities, compact footprint and STAC approval of the SX, countries that follow EU aviation safety regulations now have a cost-effective option that delivers excellent value for airport security operations of any size.”

Using 3-D Continuous Flow CT technology from Analogic, the SX generates high resolution 3-D color images in real time. Advanced image enhancement and threat assessment tools, including 360-degree rotational views of entire bags and individual threat objects, enable operators to quickly and confidently inspect aircraft-bound baggage.

Suitable for airport lobbies, baggage make-up areas and full integration with baggage handling systems, the streamlined SX delivers operational throughput rates up to 300 bags per hour in a stand-alone configuration and up to 360 bags per hour in-line.

The SX automatically clears non-threat bags for flight at the lowest false alarm rates in the industry, resulting in significantly reduced security operating costs.

About L-3 Security & Detection Systems

With a broad range of systems and technology and an installed base of more than 20,000 systems worldwide, L-3 Security & Detection Systems offers screening technologies for numerous security applications that include: aviation systems for hold-baggage explosives detection and checkpoint screening; cargo and air freight screening; port and border inspection; and facility protection. L-3 Security & Detection Systems' customer base includes the U.S. military and numerous government agencies, major airports and airlines, national and local authorities and high-risk commercial enterprises throughout the world. To learn more about L-3 Communications Security & Detection Systems, please visit the company's Web site at www.L-3Com.com/SDS.

Headquartered in New York City, L-3 Communications employs over 64,000 people worldwide and is a prime contractor in aircraft modernization and maintenance, C³ISR (Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) systems and government services. L-3 is also a leading provider of high technology products, subsystems and systems. The company reported 2007 sales of \$14 billion. To learn more about L-3, please visit the company's Web site at www.L-3Com.com.

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