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TenCate selected by Aerotron Brazil as business partner for supplying ballistic protection for the Embraer KC-390 military transport aircraft

Aerotron Brazil, the prime contractor for the Embraer KC-390 project, has chosen TenCate Advanced Armour as its technical and industrial partner and the supplier of the materials and special processes. Aerotron Brazil and TenCate Advanced Armour are working closely together to finalize the design and to build the prototypes of the ballistic protection according to the schedule, weight and performance requirements for the Embraer KC-390 program.

The KC-390 is the largest airplane ever conceived and built by the Brazilian aeronautics industry and will establish a new standard for medium-sized military transport aircraft, in terms of performance and payload, as well as advance mission and flight systems. It is to perform aerial refueling, transport cargo and troops, and to receive fuel in-flight. The KC-390 will be able to transport up to 23 metric tons of cargo, including wheeled armored vehicles.

The potential market for the KC-390 is according to Embraer approximately 700 aircraft, and so far letters of intent for 60 aircraft have been signed by 6 different countries. Financial details will not be published.

TenCate Advanced Armour is a global provider of customised, lightweight ballistic protection solutions for the complete range of requirements, from personal protection through all vehicle, helicopter and aircraft applications up to and including principal marine ships.

**TenCate Advanced Armour
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Aerotron Brazil acts in the segments of aeronautic, defense and law enforcement since 1999. It's oriented for the design, development and production of lightweight armour solutions for rotary and fixed wing aircraft applications and also for the design, development, production and maintenance of linear actuators for aerospace applications. Aerotron trades and offers industrial and technical assistance to leader companies and products in its segments.

TenCate Advanced Armour is a leading global supplier of a wide range of armour composite materials for ballistic protection. TenCate Advanced Armour develops and produces a portfolio of composite and ceramic materials and designs active armour solutions for the protection of police, army, air force, navy and civilian service personnel, vehicles and vessels. TenCate Advanced Armour has facilities in Europe, Asia and North America.

Royal Ten Cate (TenCate) is a multinational company that combines textile technology with chemical processes and material technology in the development and production of functional materials with distinctive characteristics. TenCate products are sold throughout the world.

Systems and materials from TenCate come under four areas of application: safety and protection; space and aerospace; infrastructure and the environment; sport and recreation. TenCate occupies leading positions in protective fabrics, composites for space and aerospace, antiballistics, geosynthetics and synthetic turf. TenCate is listed on NYSE Euronext (AMX).