

Rome, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2010

## **SELEX Sistemi Integrati wins a contract for the Panama coasts surveillance**

SELEX Sistemi Integrati, a Finmeccanica company, signed a contract with the Ministerio delle Seguridad Publica of Panama to provide a maritime surveillance system for the Panama coasts.

The coastal control and monitoring system, which will be available for the Aero naval National Service of Panama (SENAN), will be delivered within 33 months from the contract subscription.

Through the contract the company will supply a national control centre made of 16 consoles, which will receive data from the 18 Lyra 50 radars, also provided together with eight regional centres, each one made of six controller working positions.

In addition the contract includes the realization of the necessary civil works which will be made by local enterprises.

The supply will be completed by a communication system which will interconnect the radar sites, the local centres and the national centre, and allow information exchange among naval units and the control centres.

These kind of systems designed and developed by SELEX Sistemi Integrati are the ideal answer both for the Panama coastal protection from the vessels operating illegal traffics and for the cooperation with institutions and other governmental forces for search and rescue maritime operations.

SELEX Sistemi Integrati acquired the contract thanks to its consolidated experience in the manufacturing of Vessel Traffic Management systems (VTMS). The VTMS is today's most technologically advanced maritime surveillance system for coastal and borders security.

SELEX Sistemi Integrati' VTMS widest application is the Italian system, which guarantees more than 7000 kilometers of coastal surveillance. The other supplies include VTMS sold to China, Saint Petersburg, Poland, Yemen and more recently, Serbia and Turkey all reinforcing a wide commercial plan expansion. This commercial success testifies the excellence reached by the Finmeccanica company in the realization of systems integrating technology and security.

With this latest contract SELEX Sistemi Integrati can add also the Republic of Panama into its customers' portfolio, consolidating its presence also in Central and South America.