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The Network Centric Operations Industry Consortium (NCOIC) announces its official launch with a media briefing at the National Press Club in Washington, DC on Tuesday September 28, 2004. NCOIC is composed of leading global companies in aerospace, communications, defense, and information systems. The Consortium works to develop a common network centric environment, allow for technical interoperability, and provide guidance to develop common standards for the departments or ministries of defense and the intelligence, homeland security, and law enforcement agencies of allied nations in response to asymmetric threats of the 21st century.

Who: Executives from BAE Systems, Boeing, CACI, CBT, Cisco Systems, EADS, EMC Corporation, Ericsson, Factiva[®], a Dow Jones and Reuters Company, Finmeccanica, General Dynamics, HP, Honeywell, IBM, Innerwall, L-3 Communications, Lockheed Martin, Microsoft, Northrop Grumman, Oracle, Raytheon Company, Rockwell Collins, Saab, SAIC, Smiths Aerospace, Sun Microsystems, Thales, Themis, and The Open Group as management firm.

What: Launch of Network Centric Operations Industry Consortium (NCOIC)

When:

September 28, 2004

8:00 am -- Continental Breakfast

8:30 am -- Press Briefing and questions

Where:

National Press Club, Frank Holman Room

529 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20045

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Webcast

Executives from member companies will be available for one-on-one interviews following the briefing.

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