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SINGAPORE, Feb. 4, 2010 -- Boeing Defence Australia, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA], announced today in Singapore that its Modernized High Frequency Communications System (MHFCS) has reached 130 days in service with the Australian Defence Force (ADF). The communications system is making its first appearance outside Australia at the Singapore Airshow -- the biggest aerospace and defense exhibition in Asia.

"The 130-day service milestone is testament to the maturity of the system and shows that the team is on target for final system acceptance by the ADF in the coming months," said Steve Parker, vice president and general manager for Boeing Network & Space Systems - Australia.

"Based on how well MHFCS has performed to date, Boeing is confident that demonstrating the system at international events, such as the Singapore Airshow, will help generate additional sales. MHFCS has the capability to transform High Frequency (HF) communications worldwide and provides nations with the highest levels of global connectivity while enhancing their information security."

MHFCS is a managed, long-range, strategic communications system that facilitates the secure exchange of information, such as voice, e-mail, facsimile, HTTP interactive data and organizational messages, between fixed and mobile stations using one integrated system.

Considered the world's most advanced strategic HF communications network, MHFCS features automated priority messaging, an assured delivery system, extensive geographic coverage, and automated advanced-frequency-management and traditional-operator tasks. The system complements Boeing's market-leading military and commercial satellite-communications products.

[Boeing Defence Australia](#), a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boeing Company and a business unit of Boeing Defense, Space & Security, is a leading Australian aerospace enterprise. With a world-class team of nearly 2,000 employees at 13 locations throughout Australia and two international sites, Boeing Defence Australia supports some of the largest and most complex defense projects in Australia.

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