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DRS Technologies awarded USD 100 million contract from the U.S. Army

DRS Technologies, Inc. a Finmeccanica company [FNC IM; SIFI.MI], received an order valued over USD 100 million from the U.S. Army's "Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM)", to manufacture 270 M1000 Heavy Equipment Transporter (HET) trailers for the U.S. Army.

This recent order is the follow-on production contract associated with the low-rate initial production of six trailers delivered in June for government test and evaluation. Deliveries will take place later this year. At the completion of this order, DRS Technologies will have manufactured more than 2,600 HET trailers for the U.S. Army.

The M1000 HET is engineered to transport the M1 Abrams Main Battle Tanks over primary and secondary roads, or cross-country over rough terrain. Due to its extraordinary flexibility, it can carry all types of tracked and wheeled vehicles, containers and large bulk cargo weighing as much as 80 tons, either on- or off-road.