

EDGE Awarded Contract Worth AED 2.14 Billion to Supply THUNDER Precision-Guided Munitions to the UAE Armed Forces



EDGE entity HALCON will supply THUNDER precision-guided munitions with laser guidance

Abu Dhabi, UAE: 21 February – EDGE Group entity, <u>HALCON</u>, a regional leader in the design and production of guided weapons systems and beyond, announced it has signed a contract worth AED 2.14 billion with the UAE Armed Forces to supply short-range guided munition systems.

The new contract will provide the UAE Armed Forces with HALCON'S THUNDER P3 LIGHT precision-guided munitions (PGMs). The P3 Light is designed to integrate onto the MK series of general purpose aerial munitions and under the contract, will be fitted with a semi-active laser (SAL) seeker.

Saeed Al Mansoori, Senior Vice President of ADVANCED CONCEPTS, said, "Our THUNDER P3 LIGHT PGMs will provide the UAE Armed Forces with a cost-effective air strike capability. The addition of a semi-active laser seeker will also provide enhanced accuracy against threats. It gives us great pride to be fulfilling these operational requirements as we seek to continue to provide innovative solutions for the UAE Armed Forces."

The THUNDER P3 LIGHT is part of HALCON'S THUNDER line of cost-effective, short-range guided munition kit systems that convert the MK series of general purpose aerial munitions into precision-guided munitions (PGMs) with increased range and precision accuracy.

The contract is in line with EDGE and HALCON's commitment to the UAE Armed Forces in providing advanced systems and solutions that meet mission requirements and ensure the safeguarding of the UAE.

HALCON is part of the Missiles & Weapons cluster within EDGE, one of the world's leading advanced technology and defence groups.

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