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Cutting-edge KNDS Simulators for Swedish Armed Forces

Munich, February 13th, 2024 – In future, Swedish armed forces will be carrying out their LEOPARD 2 training using the latest generation of cutting-edge Krauss-Maffei Wegmann GmbH & Co. KG (KNDS) simulators.

The agreement concluded between the Swedish Procurement Office (FMV) and KNDS involves the supply of a total of 18 high-fidelity simulators. The combination of turret and driving simulators makes it possible to train at the Land Warfare Center in Skövde as entire companies and in platoon strength as well as at vehicle level at three more sites in Sweden.

Using cutting-edge software and hardware, the training systems boast elements including a fully functional integration of the loader position using a weapons simulator as well as an over-the-hatch vision system solution for the commander. The system also includes the integration of the Swedish C2 Mark management system.

The Swedish armed forces have been using Krauss-Maffei Wegmann GmbH & Co. KG simulation technology for 25 years.

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