

Press Release

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Debut at the world's largest telecom fair, October 10-17 in Geneva:

Sectra launches Tiger secure GSM phone for non-military users

At Telecom '99 in Geneva, October 10–17, the Swedish IT company Sectra will launch a secure GSM phone for non-military users. The Tiger telephone is aimed at management staff of international companies and organizations and government agencies such as the police and customs services.

“Companies and government agencies who handle confidential information need secure communication,” says Per Unell, vice president of Sectra Communications. “Sectra Tiger offers a simple solution to this problem. We have received many inquiries for a civilian model of the Sectra Tiger and see a substantial market for it.”

Sectra Tiger is the first GSM telephone in the world to meet the market's most stringent requirements for secure communication. The phone was originally developed for military use, and Swedish Defense has purchased 600 phones to date. Last week, Sectra received its first international order from Norway.

“For the Norwegian order, we will adapt Tiger specifically for the Norwegian armed forces and for regulations applicable within NATO. Following that development and customization project, which will take 18 months, the Norwegian armed forces have an option to order units for series volumes,” Unell explains.

Sectra Tiger guarantees secure communication for the entire connection—from transmitter to receiver—in voice and data transfer as well as SMS text services. This is possible from the office, home, or car. The phone works on existing GSM networks and can be used regardless of operator or intermediate carrier network. Sectra Tiger integrates advanced cryptography with GSM technology, making it user-friendly. The telephone is the same size as today's cellular phones and is just as flexible, functional, and easy-to-use.

The international civilian version of Sectra Tiger will be sold directly to customers and is expected to ship in spring 2000.

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Welcome to our web site <http://www.sectra.se>, which has a photo of the Sectra Tiger.

Visit us at Telecom '99 in Geneva, at booth number 1131.050, Hall 1.

Sectra in brief

Since the mid-1980s, Sectra has successfully developed and sold sophisticated IT and telecommunications products. Today, the business includes products for medical imaging systems, secure communication systems, and digital radio systems. Operations in secure communication are conducted by the wholly owned subsidiary Sectra Communications AB.

Sectra AB is located in the Mjärdevi Science Park in Linköping, Sweden, and grew out of research at the Linköping Institute of Technology. Business is conducted in five countries, and employees number 140. Annual sales are roughly SEK 183 million. Sectra has been listed on the O list of the OM Stockholm Stock Exchange since March 1999.