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Scania trucks to the Swedish armed forces

Scania has signed an agreement with the Swedish Defence Materiel Administration for the supply of heavy trucks to the armed forces. Up to 200 trucks will be delivered this year, corresponding to an order value of more than SEK 400 million. The Administration has an option to order additional trucks for delivery at a later date.

"The new agreement is very important for us. It proves that the Defence Materiel Administration has high confidence in Scania and its products," says Torsten Petersson, responsible for the project at Scania Sverige AB, Scania's Swedish distributor.

The deal is the latest example of Scania as an important supplier to military customers. The vehicles, which are adapted for military duty, are fully based on Scania's civilian product concept. This gives access to the whole range of civilian parts and components, as well as Scania's service network. This has a positive effect not least in terms of operating and maintenance costs.

The majority of trucks are Scania P124 CB6x6 with all-wheel-drive. The Multilift swap-body from HIAB Sverige AB will be fitted by Zetterbergs Produkt AB. Some of the trucks intended for international peace-keeping tasks have extra equipment such as additional protection for the cab, including mine shields.

The agreement also comprises a number of Scania P124 CB6x2 vehicles to be used for snow clearance by the Air Force. These trucks are fitted with Opticruise, Scania's automated gearchanging system.

In addition to Sweden, Scania has supplied vehicles to other armed forces, e.g. in Denmark, Norway and Belgium. Scania also supplies special-purpose vehicles for instance to the UN and the Red Cross for international peace-keeping missions.

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Scania is one of the world's leading manufacturers of trucks and buses for heavy transport applications, and of industrial and marine engines. With 25,800 employees and production facilities in Europe and Latin America, Scania is one of the most profitable companies in its sector. In 1999, turnover totalled SEK 47,100 million and income after financial items SEK 4,5 million. Scania products are marketed in about 100 countries worldwide and some 95 percent of Scania's vehicles are sold outside Sweden.

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