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World premiere at Eurosatory:

Scania unveils 8-wheel drive all-round military vehicle

For the first time ever, Scania is able to offer the market an 8-wheel drive off-road vehicle based on the company's modular system of standard components. The new truck has its premiere public showing at this year's leading military trade fair, Eurosatory in Paris.

"The truck is commercially available, it is not a prototype of any sort," emphasises Björn Michelsen, head of Scania Sales Engineering.

The first customer to sign an order is FMV, the Swedish Defence Materiel Administration, which has placed an initial order for nine of the new trucks. They are part of a larger FMV order of just over 200 vehicles valued at SEK 400 million. The nine FMV trucks are all powered by the 420 horsepower Scania 12-litre engine.

Although the first customer to sign an order is from the military, Scania's engineers see a variety of civilian application areas for a four-axle all-wheel drive truck, for example as a tipper in particularly demanding operating conditions. In military guise, the emphasis is on robust resources for heavy off-road haulage duties.

Scania's military vehicles are based on the company's civilian product range, which means that the entire civilian component range and parts-supply system is fully available, as well as Scania's global service network which today encompasses 1,500 workshops in about 100 countries. This has a positive effect on operating and maintenance costs.

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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 the result after net interest income/expense was SEK 4,500 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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