

## **PRESS** info

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## Scania's new V8 engines in Finnish combat vehicle

Scania is supplying the engines that power the Finnish military's new combat vehicle. This makes Finland the second country after Switzerland to choose Scania's new 16-litre V8 engine in its latest military configuration.

The contract represents added success for Hägglunds Vehicle AB of Örnsköldsvik in Sweden, which in the space of just a few months is about to close billion-kronor agreements with the defence ministries of both Switzerland and Finland. In the case of Switzerland, Scania is supplying 186 engines, while the Finnish contract is for an initial order of 57 engines.

"For us, this contract is the fruit of many years of close cooperation between Scania and Hägglunds," says Lennart Hjelte, Vice President Industrial and Marine Engines. Scania has already served as the main supplier of engines for the Swedish CV 90 combat vehicle – the same type of vehicle as in the two new contracts – but that was with Scania's previous generation of V8 engines.

The new engine, which is a further development of Scania's tried and tested V8 design, had its premiere showing in June this year at the Eurosatory 2000international military trade fair in Paris. Deliveries of the basic version of the new engine already number in the tens of thousands for both civilian and military trucks and boats.

"Scania's powerful and compact V8 engines have been extensively modified for their tough job in Combat Vehicle 90. The extremely low dry oil sump is just one example of the way in which this engine has been reworked to meet the stringent customer requirements for this demanding application," explains Lennart Hjelte.

In addition to the Swedish military, the Norwegian army has also previously purchased Combat Vehicle 90 with Scania power.

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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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