



News Release

Intelcan Completes the Modernization of Bulgaria's Major Air Bases to NATO and ICAO Standards in Record Time

Ottawa, Canada, 22 April 2003 – Intelcan completed the modernization of the Bulgarian Air Forces' Krumovo Airport in less than a year from its award to the company. Previously, Intelcan had completed, on time and within budget, the modernization of the leading air base in Bulgaria, Graf Ignatievo Airport, to NATO and ICAO standards.

The Bulgarian Ministry of Defence (BMOD) launched a major project to upgrade its ground-based military air traffic control infrastructure to achieve compatibility with ICAO and interoperability with NATO. The BMOD selected Intelcan in an open international competition over leading suppliers from North America and Europe.

Under a turnkey project Intelcan provided fully integrated systems which included state-of-the-art air-ground and ground-ground communications, short range and long-range primary and secondary radars including a precision approach radar, navigational and landing systems such as TACAN, VOR/DME and ILS, sophisticated air defence traffic management system with multi-radar processing and modern display suites for the operations and maintenance staff as well as modernization of airport control towers.

Intelcan also modernized older analog technology surveillance radars with modern digital technology and integrated these to its air defence traffic management system. Included in the turnkey project were comprehensive training for BMOD operations, maintenance and management personnel, logistics support package, installation and commissioning of the systems.