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## **Defence Industry**

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When it comes to equipping the men and women who protect our liberty and security, only the best will do. From 18 to 20 February 2020, Rheinmetall will be on hand at the GPEC international security conference and exhibition in Frankfurt, displaying the Survivor R special operations protected vehicle.

The Survivor R epitomizes Rheinmetall's commitment to the twin imperatives of security and mobility. It is extremely well suited for police special operations. In Germany, state-level police forces in Berlin, North Rhine Westphalia and Saxony have already opted to equip their SWAT teams with the Survivor R. Meanwhile, the vehicle has proven itself several times in operations. The Survivor R is now in the running to become the standard special operations vehicle for Germany's federal and state police agencies.

Developed in cooperation with special vehicle maker Achleitner and based on a high-performance 4x4 MAN truck chassis, the Survivor R is fitted with a steel armour cab. Capable of reaching speeds of over 100 km/h, the vehicle combines tried-and-tested automotive technology from major production runs with the latest force protection concepts from Rheinmetall.

Systematic use of off-the-shelf civilian parts and serially produced military components make the vehicle an affordable option, while users can rely on Rheinmetall MAN's global service network for maintenance and repairs. This makes the Survivor R a cost-effective, easy-to-maintain vehicle platform with low lifecycle costs and a high level of operational readiness.

An armoured monocoque cab with add-on protection elements can be individually and discreetly modified to meet evolving threat situations, while a ventilation system for filtering out nuclear, biological and chemical agents is standard equipment in every Survivor R vehicle. Well-lit and ergonomically designed, the interior is spacious enough to seat up to eleven personnel with their personal equipment as well as extensive C4I and communications equipment. An engine-independent auxiliary heating and a powerful air conditioning system ensure a comfortable operating environment for the crew

all year round.

This versatile vehicle can also be equipped with remotely operated weapon stations. A variant fitted with Rheinmetall's Fieldranger weapon station is designed for protecting airports, for instance, as well as for operations against terrorists employing military tactics and equipment.

**Contracts** 

## Oshkosh Defense Receives \$407.3 Million Order for Joint Light Tactical Vehicles



Oshkosh Defense, LLC, an Oshkosh Corporation company, announced today that the U.S. Army Contracting Command – Detroit Arsenal has placed an order for 1,240 Joint Light Tactical Vehicles (JLTVs) and associated kits.

This order includes JLTVs for the U.S. Marine Corps (USMC), Slovenia and Lithuania and kits for the U.S. Army, USMC, Slovenia and Lithuania.

"We work side-by-side with the Joint Program Office to give the military the necessary technological edge to compete with and defeat the most advanced adversaries," said George Mansfield, vice president and general manager of joint programs for Oshkosh Defense. "Without sacrificing mobility or transportability, the JLTV can accommodate over 100 mission package configurations, a true testament to its agility and modularity."

The Oshkosh JLTV is the only light tactical vehicle with the protection and extreme off-road mobility to maneuver with combat formations against great power adversaries. The vehicle's digital architecture allows incorporation of advances in weapons, lasers, sensors, networking, and communications. It is designed to meet the requirements for the threats faced today and the decades to come.

Additionally, foreign interest in the highly capable JLTV platform continues to grow. The award includes orders for JLTVs to Slovenia and JLTVs to Lithuania through the Foreign Military Sales (FMS) process.

"We are proud of our vehicle and proud of this program," continued Mansfield. "The JLTV stands out as one of the few major programs delivering on its promises – it is on time, on budget, and delivering against all program requirements. Our mission is to enable the brave men and women of our Armed Forces and our allies to complete their missions and return home safely."

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