



PRESS RELEASE

SA DEFENCE FORCE CHOOSES CAT

Armcor (Armaments Corporation of South Africa) has appointed Barloworld Equipment as its sole supplier for their earthmoving equipment replacement programme. The agreement applies to Category 1 and 2 machines in terms of Armcor's MOEMS (Militarised Operation Earthmoving System) project. Armcor is a dedicated organization servicing the materiel and allied requirements of the South African Department of Defence.

Cat machines procured by Armcor are deployed with the SA Army Engineer Formation and will support the Department of Defence's internal and external construction requirements.

Allied to these activities will be the South African government and the Department of Defence's involvement in United Nations and African Union missions on the continent. Here the SA Army's Cat machines will play their part in building essential infrastructure, such as roads and potable water reticulation.

Barloworld Equipment is the sole supplier for parts, service, training and support, with comprehensive coverage provided via their southern African network when necessary and required.

To date more than 40 Defence Force personnel have been trained and certified at Barloworld Equipment's Operator Academy in Isando, Johannesburg on a range of earthmoving machine classes. Train-the-trainer courses are also being run for SA Army operator facilitators at the Academy, as well as army maintenance support technicians at Barloworld Equipment's Technical Academy.

Cat units supplied to date include Cat D6R and D8R track-type tractors, a Cat 824K wheel dozer, a Cat 323D2 L hydraulic excavator, Cat 428F backhoe loaders, Cat 950H wheel loaders, Cat 246D and 277D skid steers, as well as latest generation Cat 120M and 140M motor graders.

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CAPTION

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