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Joint Luxembourg/NSPA Data Centre project launched

Capellen, Luxembourg – A joint data centre project between the Luxembourg Ministry of Defence and the NATO Support and Procurement Agency was formally launched today during a Supplementary Arrangement signing ceremony held at the Ministry of Economy.

Mr. Etienne Schneider, Minister of the Economy and Foreign Trade, and Mr. Mike Lyden, NSPA General Manager, signed the five-year Supplementary Arrangement under which Luxembourg will implement a Tier IV data centre to significantly enhance NSPA's disaster recovery capability.

"The project is the culmination of extensive consultation with Host Nation Luxembourg since early 2015. From project conception, we have been honoured to be able to work closely with Luxembourg Centre Des Technologies de l'Information de l'Etat (CTIE) and Ministry of Defence to scope the requirement for this data centre," explained General Manager Mike Lyden. The data centre project launched today will include a first implementation phase to prepare the physical site which will last into the fall. This will be followed by an installation and testing phase. "We expect these phases to progress equally smoothly and anticipate project completion by the end of the year," he added.

The data centre project required intense collaboration to design a robust and resilient, NATO-accredited, data management solution which would offer resiliency to NSPA through the design, development and construction of a modern, state-of-the-art, facility.

"This project exemplifies the great support the NATO Support and Procurement Agency receives from host-nation Luxembourg and is just one in a long line of cooperative projects which we have developed together as NATO partners," Lyden concluded.

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