

KWESST Upgraded to SAMSUNG "USA Partner" Status

Ottawa, Ontario--(Newsfile Corp. - October 20, 2020) - KWESST Micro Systems Inc. (TSXV: KWE) ("KWESST" or "the Company") today announced the elevation of its affiliation with SAMSUNG Electronics America Inc. ("SAMSUNG") to "USA Partner" status.

As a SAMSUNG USA Partner, KWESST will be employing the SAMSUNG S20TE tactical smart phone in the production version of the Company's *Tactical Awareness and Situational Control System (TASCS)* and for its *Integrated Fires Module (IFM)* for networked targeting on soldiers' weapons.

"SAMSUNG tactical smart devices are the preferred choice of military users around the world," said Jeff MacLeod, KWESST Founder and CEO. "Therefore KWESST's new status as a SAMSUNG USA Partner further positions KWESST to advantage in the tactical ecosystem."

Today's announcement builds on the Company's earlier announcement of March 6th, 2020 regarding Headquarters Marine Corps Aviation sponsorship of KWESST to integrate the Company's TASCS capability into the ATAK Battlefield Management Application in use with a wide range of military and homeland security users in the U.S. and internationally.

"Incorporation of KWESST's TASCS and IFM applications into ATAK and SAMSUNG devices represent important milestones in the steady recognition and traction our applications are gaining in the military community as enablers of networked defence and security personnel and their operational assets," added MacLeod.

Users of the SAMSUNG S20TE will have access to KWESST's TASCS and IFMs applications at the push of a button for a networked common operating picture of the situation on the ground. And, with KWESST's miniaturized snap-on adaptor containing sensors, software and ballistic algorithms, soldiers will be able to connect these smart SAMSUNG devices to their weapons, networking them into precision "smart munitions" systems for safer engagement and more effective coordinated targeting of adversaries.

The SAMSUNG S20TE device, also known as the Galaxy S20 Tactical Edition, is the latest mission-ready military smartphone built and proven by operators in special operations for rapid information capture, sharing and analysis in diverse operating environments.

For more information on the SAMSUNG S20TE tactical smart phone please visit:

<https://image-us.samsung.com/SamsungUS/samsungbusiness/pdfs/flyer/s20-salesflyer-FINAL.pdf>

About KWESST

KWESST develops and commercializes high-value ultra-miniaturized technology applications that make a critical difference to the safety and operational effectiveness of personnel in the defence and security industries. The company's current portfolio of unique proprietary offerings include: its signature TASCS™ (Tactical and Situational Control System) for real-time awareness and targeting information from any source (including drones) streamed directly to users' smart devices and weapons; the autonomous GreyGhost™ soldier-portable micro drone missile system that defends against small hostile drones including swarms using high-speed kinetic impact; a Ground Laser Defence system to counter the emerging threat of weaponized lasers against personnel; and, the Phantom™ electronic battlefield decoy system to mask the electromagnetic signature of friendly forces with decoy signatures at false locations to deceive and confuse adversaries. All systems can operate stand-alone or integrate seamlessly with OEM products and battlefield management systems including Frontline, Edge, Killswitch

and ATAK (Android Tactical Assault Kit) among others. KWESST also has developmental "smart ordnance" projects including its "Shot Counter" system, which records the number and type of rounds fired, for optimized firearms maintenance and performance. The Company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with representative offices in Washington, DC, London, UK and Abu Dhabi, UAE. KWESST trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol KWE.

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