



## SOFEX to Exhibit at International Defence Industry Fair in Turkey

IDEF 2009 will be held on April 27-30



Amman, April, 2009 - The Special Operations Forces Exhibition and Conference is participating at the 9<sup>th</sup> International Defence Industry Fair (IDEF) in Istanbul, Turkey. Exhibiting at IDEF will provide SOFEX with a platform to interact and liaise with the members of the International Defence sector in addition to confirming the participation of major national pavilions who have solidly expressed their intent to participate at the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the SOFEX series that will take place in Amman, Jordan between the 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2010.

Mr. Amer Tabbah, Managing Director of SOFEX stated "IDEF 2009 represents the next appointment for our team on the SOFEX 2010 preparatory agenda. Exhibiting at IDEF is one of the notable opportunities to convene with military decision makers, global defence giants and small and medium sized companies to discuss their participation at SOFEX 2010."

SOFEX has acquired paramount ranking as a unique global gathering for showcasing the latest innovative Special Operations and homeland security solutions to combat today's ever increasing security challenges. SOFEX 2008 saw the involvement of Turkey as a national pavilion for the very first time, substantially increasing its 2006 participation by nine-fold. The Turkish pavilion has already confirmed that it will be growing its exhibit space for SOFEX 2010.

At the Previous edition of SOFEX last year, 34 national pavilions took part, represented by 319 companies and which attracted a record 12,000 visitors over the 3 day exhibition, including 101 delegations from 58 countries.

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**Note to the editor:**

**SOFEX 2010**

**SOFEX** is a premier international exhibition and conference that features the largest fully-integrated Special Operations Forces equipment and solutions in the world. Bringing together the world's leading special operations and homeland security manufacturers with high-ranking defence officials and government decision makers, SOFEX is a unique global gathering for showcasing the latest counter terrorism and homeland security solutions to combat today's ever increasing security challenges.

The 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the SOFEX series will be held at the King Abdullah I Airbase located near Amman in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. The event is held biennially under the Patronage of His Majesty King Abdullah II, who will be launching the activities of SOFEX 2010 supported by the Jordan Armed Forces.

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