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Letter of notice for Estonian Next Generation
IFV program

Dear Mr Friden

On behalf of the Estonian Centre for Defence Investments, I would like to sincerely thank your teams for the close cooperation with our members throughout our participation in the Nordic Coalition and for guiding us through the complexities of joint procurement.

However, I regret to inform you that the Estonian Next Generation Infantry Fighting Vehicle Program has been cancelled by the Defence Minister of Estonia and we will therefore not be proceeding with the procurement of additional IFV-s. Therefore we will not participate in the Tender Presentation scheduled next week or in the following Nordic coalition project meetings.

Please be assured that this decision was not taken lightly. It reflects the current security environment, lessons learned in Ukraine and the assessment of the Estonian Defence Forces (EDF), which necessitates the reallocation of funding for IFV-s to other programmes more closely aligned with EDF's most urgent priorities.

Once again, we greatly appreciate the excellent cooperation and professionalism demonstrated throughout our engagement. We look forward to the opportunity to collaborate on other ongoing or future projects in case an opportunity arises.

Respectfully,

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