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Letter of notice for Estonian Next Generation
IFV program

Dear President of GDELS

On behalf of the Estonian Centre for Defence Investments (ECDI), I would like to sincerely thank your team for the close cooperation with our members throughout the Estonian Next Generation Infantry Fighting Vehicle Program and for providing comprehensive information about your infantry fighting vehicle (IFV) during 2025 and early 2026. Based on the information shared, we are confident that the IFV would have been a valuable contribution towards boosting Estonian Defence capabilities.

However, I regret to inform you that the Estonian Next Generation Infantry Fighting Vehicle Program has been cancelled by the Minister of Defence of Estonia and we will therefore not be proceeding with the procurement of additional IFV-s.

Please be assured that this decision was not taken lightly. It reflects the current security environment 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 with the same level of effectiveness.

Respectfully,

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