

# Press Release

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## **KORD TECHNOLOGY SELECTED FOR EVALUATION BY US DOD** **Improving the performance and safety of US Marines**

WASHINGTON, DC, DECEMBER 13, 2010 - KORD DEFENCE PTY LTD ([www.korddefence.com.au](http://www.korddefence.com.au)) a world leader in the provision of interface control technologies announced today that its technology had been selected for evaluation by the US Department of Defense. The Technology is a core part of the Rifle Input Control (RIC) which it has developed in collaboration with Thales Australia to provide soldiers with a fast and simple way of controlling their electronic devices without having to take their hands off their weapon or eyes off task

The evaluation of the RIC was announced at a Conference and Awards Ceremony at the Army Navy Country Club in Washington on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The US Marine Corps (USMC) will evaluate its performance and suitability as a Rifle Accessory Control Unit (RACU) during 2011. It was the only project the USMC selected for review in 2010.

Dr Peter Moran, Managing Director of Kord said that “we are extremely pleased and proud to be working in conjunction with the US Marines and plan to provide them with technology that will greatly enhance the performance and safety of its soldiers in combat”. He went on to say that “if successful this will lead to substantial sales into the future.”

Dr Moran also said that “development of the technology would not have been possible without the financial assistance of the Commonwealth’s Commercialisation Australia and COMET Programs, the ACT Government, as well as the Defence Materiel Organisation”

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The FCT Program supports the U.S. Warfighter by leveraging innovative, mature equipment and technologies from domestic and coalition industry to satisfy US defense requirements. Nearly 50 projects were submitted for the 2011 FCT program, of which only 18 projects were approved for funding.

### **ABOUT KORD DEFENCE**

We develop innovative interface technologies for the military, homeland security and law enforcement markets. Our products enable people in harsh and stressful conditions to quickly access and control multiple electronic devices on the move, and with having to take either their eyes or hands off task.

We are a wholly owned subsidiary of KordTech Pty Limited and our mission is to provide a better, faster, safer way of using mobile technologies – anytime and anywhere.

Based in Canberra, Australia, we have extensive capabilities and skills in developing smart and intuitive interface technologies - that give enhanced performance and a real capability benefit.

Our clear strategic objective is to collaborate with world-leading commercialization partners who have access to global markets relating to the following areas: Military Vehicles; Robots; Police; Security; First Responder, HAZMAT; Emergency and Rescue. Our team, which also comprises Sydney-based industrial design firm Tiller Design, has worked for a range of corporate and public sector organizations – both within Australia and overseas.

