

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Czech company to supply Nissan vehicles to the Polish Army**

PRAGUE, April 2, 2020 – The Czech company GLOMEX Military Supplies (Glomex MS) will supply more than 500 specially adapted off-road Nissan Navara pick-ups to the Polish Army over the next three years. Winning the Polish Ministry of Défense tender means a contract worth more than 600 million CZK which was confirmed on March 31, 2020 by signing an agreement.

Our northern neighbour's army has been looking to replace their multi-purpose off-road Honker vehicles of Polish production since 2015. They reached a final decision only after the sixth tender. "Our success was determined firstly by the favourable price we were able to offer to the Polish army and secondly by the fact that we offered vehicles with a significantly more powerful engine than our competitors," says the President of Glomex MS, retired Army General Josef Becvar. He adds: "It is a great success not only for the company but also for me personally. This is the first accomplished task of our new corporate strategy since the beginning of 2019, when I joined the top management of Glomex MS. This strategy focuses on strategic armaments of the armed forces of Central European countries. I am sure we will build on this success and prove our company as trustworthy and professional integrator for the armed forces both in the Czech Republic and abroad that can be relied upon even in current difficult times." The Czech Army has been looking for replacement of their off-road UAZ-469 and Land Rover Defender vehicles for the past four years. At the end of last year, the most recent public tender was cancelled and is expected to be reopened again this year.

A total of 485 vehicles (with an option to purchase an additional 150 pieces) will be delivered to the Polish Army between 2020 and 2022. Nissan Navara militarized pick-ups differ from the civilian version, among other things, by engine bottom protection and the Hard-Top body roofing. The new Nissans are intended primarily as personnel transport vehicles between bases and training ranges but also to transport parts, ammunition and other military material. The Polish military is currently using some 2500 Honker vehicles drawn on the 1980s Polish off-roader Tarpan.

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