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## **Boxer 8X8 CRV downselected for Australia's LAND 400 Phase 2 program**

Rheinmetall is pleased to have been selected by the Commonwealth of Australia for the Risk Mitigation Activities (RMA) of the LAND 400 Phase 2 program.

Rheinmetall Defence has offered the Commonwealth the latest version of the BOXER 8X8 vehicle that is fitted with the in-service LANCE turret and a growth path that includes a 35 mm main gun and the Northrop Grumman command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (C4ISR) architecture.

Ben Hudson, Head of Rheinmetall's Vehicle Systems Division, said: "We are delighted to have been selected in Australia for the next phase of this important program. BOXER is combat proven and offers the highest levels of survivability and mobility, that when combined with the in-service Lance turret, will deliver the capabilities that allow Army to fight, survive and win on the battlefields of today and tomorrow".

Rheinmetall Defence will establish an Australian Industry Capability program for Land 400 that strengthens existing industrial capability in Australia and creates high technology enduring jobs for hundreds of Australians by localising design and manufacturing expertise in electro-optics, weapon systems, fire control and sensor systems, turret manufacturing, variant design and manufacture, integration, armour systems, simulation, training and fleet sustainment.

Rheinmetall Defence Australia Managing Director, Andrew Fletcher, said: "We look forward to demonstrating BOXER's capabilities to the Commonwealth through the RMA process and working closely with Australian industry and our partners, Supacat, Northrop Grumman and Tectonica to establish a world class combat vehicle design, manufacturing and sustainment capability for the Australian Defence Force and the region."

### **About Rheinmetall**

Rheinmetall sets the global standard for excellence in a wide array of disciplines and offer an extensive array of military hardware that deliver mobility, lethality, survivability of troops, reconnaissance capability and networking of national and international systems.

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