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For the attention of: Dr. Ulrich Reichel – Managing Director

Dear Sir,

**BAE SYSTEMS (AIRCRAFT BUSINESS UNITS) REGISTER OF EVALUATED SUPPLIERS -
AUTHORISATION ENTRY**

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BAE Systems – Military Air Solutions

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Supplier / Manufacturer's name & address; Supplier point of contact name, Telephone number and 'E' mail address; Part/ Drawing Number and Issue; Description; Serial/ Batch Number; Flight criticality statement; Applicable BAE Systems Programme; Quantity; Release Note/ Certificate of Conformity Number; BAE Systems Purchase Order/ Contract Number; BAE Systems GRN (when applicable); Delivery destination; Delivery Date; Programme; Nature of problem/ deviation; Proposed recovery action; Any other pertinent information that will enable timely recovery of the subject items; Corrective actions.

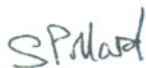
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All future deliveries shall be released to BAE Systems on a Certificate of Conformance against your AS/EN9100 series approval.

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Please be advised that BAE Systems and their customers or their nominated representatives, reserve the right of access to review work being undertaken on behalf of BAE Systems. Please confirm you accept the conditions of this letter, an approval certificate is available upon request.

**Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of
BAE SYSTEMS (OPERATIONS LTD)**



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