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## **Press Release**

### **ICTS Europe's RASCargO Security Screening Product Receives Government Approval in the Netherlands**

#### **Canine Olfaction: Man's Best Friend Provides Reliable Explosives Detection for the Cargo Industry**

Schiphol> ICTS Europe, has received approval from the Dutch government authorities to start commercial operation of its innovative RASCargO explosives-detection screening product for the cargo industry. As a result, ICTS Europe's Dutch subsidiary will now launch a commercial air cargo screening service at Schiphol Airport under its trade name **DiagNose**.

Based on Remote Air Sampling for Canine Olfaction (RASCO), the RASCargO product involves a two-stage process. The first stage requires security staff to take air samples from large cargo containers (e.g. aircraft freight pallets, containers, crates). In the second stage, specially trained dogs analyze or sniff the air samples for the presence of any explosives. It is a quick and very cost effective alternative to conventional screening services such as X-ray, decompression chamber, atomizer and hand search.

Advantages of RASCargO include high detection rates, fluidity of operations, ability to clear dense and oversize items, and large capacity throughput.

"RASCargO's distinct advantages are expected to revolutionize operations and present high value for users," says Willem van der Most van Spijk, Director of the Dutch subsidiary of ICTS Europe. "Furthermore, this will position RASCargO as one of the most efficient methods for security checking and clearing both air and sea freight. The RASCargO system has already drawn substantial interest from airlines, handling agents, freight forwarders and major shippers. Today cargo needs to be screened quickly, efficiently, cost effectively and without size or content limitations, exactly the features of RASCargO."

CTSN, the Dutch subsidiary of ICTS Europe introducing DiagNose canine operations at Schiphol Airport specializes in the application of explosives detection, based on air sampling methods (RASCargO) and the traditional explosive search, utilizing the traditional explosive detection dogs.

ICTS Europe has developed an international customer base, expanding its operations across Europe, North America, Africa, Asia and the Middle East. In April 2008, Fraport AG, the owner and operator of Frankfurt Airport has sold its wholly-owned ICTS Europe subsidiary to Deutsche Beteiligungs AG (DBAG), a leading Germany-based private equity company, experienced in the industrial services sector and DBAG's Fund V co-investor fund. ICTS Europe comprises 25 operating companies in 24 countries, maintaining offices at over 80 locations across Europe, employing over 10,000 staff. In 2007, ICTS in Europe provided services to over 700,000 flights; this included enhanced aviation security services provided to approximately 110,000 of these flights.

ICTS has developed and introduced professional concepts and service solutions that later became industry benchmarks. ICTS Europe is an innovative, enthusiastic and instrumental force in the industry, effectively facing the professional, technological, commercial and security challenges of the global aviation sector.

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