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Subject: Contract for over \$2 million worth of DefenCell Force Protection System

J & S Franklin is pleased to announce a contract for over \$2 million worth of DefenCell Force Protection System to an unspecified client.

The system will be deployed in Africa in support of international operations in the region.

The order consists of 9500 units of DefenCell DC3 and is sufficient to build a blast wall 2m high and 11km long.

The entire order, packed in only 14 20ft containers, has already been despatched to the customer from the J & S Franklin manufacturing facility in the United States.

DefenCell can be used in a wide variety of roles from protective walls, bunkers, berms, sangers and vehicle crash barriers to temporary roadways and flood barriers.

DefenCells cellular design and with the latest geotextile construction technology provides strength, versatility and simplicity. Significant advances in UV resistance have been tested to show extended durability in extreme conditions.

DefenCell is air-droppable, man portable and its non-metallic structure means it generates no secondary shrapnel and can be safely pushed off the back of a lorry with no risk of damage.

DefenCell can be laid out quickly and easily and filled with a variety of locally sourced materials, including earth, sand, shingle or rocks up to 20cm in diameter.

DefenCell is currently on operational deployment in Afghanistan with the British Army, where it is protecting two highly vulnerable ammunition supply points in two separate locations at Camp Bastion in Helmand province and Kandahar Airport, in Chad with the Irish Defence Force, Eurocorps and a number of US bases. It is also deployed in facilities protection roles in the UK and Italy. DefenCell continues to meet the exacting requirements of operational troop and equipment protection in hostile environments.

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