

## Tods Defence to Provide Sonar Domes to the Norwegian Defence Material Agency

PORTLAND, UK, 12 December, 2018– Tods Defence, a Unitech Aerospace company and world leading manufacturer of advanced composite structures for the marine defence industry, announced today they will provide the Norwegian Defence Material Agency (NDMA) with upgraded sonar domes for the Nansen Class Frigate in service with the Royal Norwegian Navy.

“Tods Defence is proud to continue their long association with the Nansen Class Frigate. We had the honour of designing and building the original five sonar domes with the first of class being delivered in 2004,” said Peter Eckersall, Vice President and Managing Director for Tods Defence. “This award reinforces Tods’ standing as the leading supplier of sonar domes with experience in supporting the world’s most prestigious programmes including the DDG1000 (USA), P28 (India) and Type 26 (BAE Systems).”

Tods Defence is creating a Lean Sonar Dome manufacturing facility at its site in Portland, UK. Work is currently underway and the facility will be operational in early 2019.

The five Nansen Class anti-submarine warfare frigates were built by Navantia (Spain) for the Norwegian Navy. The first of class entered service in 2006. The five ships, all named after famous Norwegian explorers, include the HNoMS Fridtjof Nansen (F 310), Roald Amundsen (F 311), Otto Sverdrup (F 312), Helge Ingstad (F 313) and Thor Heyerdahl (F 314).



The HNoMS Fridtjof Nansen (F 310)

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### **About Tods Defence**

Tods Defence is a world leading manufacturer of advanced composite structures for the marine defence industry. With a very strong design capability and using innovative manufacturing techniques Tods has for over 60 years been producing sonar domes, acoustic windows and complex structures for surface warships and submarines. Tods Defence holds a wide range of customer and regulatory approvals, including AS9100 and is a Unitech Aerospace company.

### **About Unitech Aerospace**

Unitech Aerospace provides the aerospace, marine, medical, defense, nuclear and rail industries with composite and metallic structures and components that meet demanding and complex requirements. The company's growing global footprint is currently comprised of strategically located sites providing local and immediate support to customers. Integrated solutions range from early stage design, rate production, to full-term sustainment making Unitech Aerospace the industry's trusted lifecycle partner.

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