

Skydrone South African Distribution Partnership

SYDNEY, NSW and COLUMBIA, MD USA – Department 13 International Limited (ASX:D13) is pleased to announce the expansion of their worldwide distribution network, with the signing of an agreement with Skydrone Technologies (“Skydrone”), a leading African aerospace company in the remotely piloted aircraft systems market.

This agreement provides a direct channel for customers on the Southern African continent to access D13’s MESMER™ technology. Africa represents one of the fastest growing markets in the world, with critical needs for protecting against the rapidly growing threats that drones present to the industrial, critical infrastructure, military, aerospace and defense markets.

The partnership with Skydrone continues the path of providing local partners in strategic markets worldwide, with access to MESMER™ and its award-winning Counter-Unmanned Aerial System (“Counter-UAS”) technology. Skydrone will be partaking in the Africa Aerospace and Defence Expo with D13 at Air Force Base Waterkloof on September 19th – 21st. This event is being sponsored by the State of Maryland Department of Commerce.

Skydrone Chief Executive, Darren Cornish, commented: *“The deal with D13 allows Skydrone to deepen its offering into Southern Africa’s heavy industrial and security sectors. With our expertise in the drone market, we have conducted extensive research on the companies offering Counter-UAS technology and it is clear that D13, and its MESMER™ product are uniquely positioned with the most advanced capabilities. Skydrone looks forward to expanding MESMER™’s deployment throughout the region.”*

Department 13 CEO, Jonathan Hunter, commented: *“Southern Africa is an important market with rapidly escalating threats presented by commercial and custom UAVs. This area is in immediate need of a Counter-UAS solution to meet the growing need of protection for both people and assets, providing sales opportunities to both private and public-sector customers. We are excited to work with the Skydrone team and leverage their expertise in drone technology within the region.”*

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About Skydrone Technologies

Skydrone Technologies is a leading African aerospace company that operates a variety of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) for use in industrial applications. It delivers cutting-edge aerial imagery data to assist clients in the power, mining, oil & gas, surveying and inspection, construction, and media sectors, to unlock the power of aerial information and deliver insights for intelligent decisions. Skydrone is a subsidiary of Gra-Tech (Pty) Ltd, Africa's leading industrial chemical cleaning business, which provides essential maintenance services to a host of blue-chip clients across Africa's industrial sector. Customers include African industrial giants such as Eskom, Babcock, Hereaus, Hitachi, Alstom Power, Sasol, Sapref, Engen, Sappi, Mondi, Iscor, AECL, Kynoch, Arcelor Mittall, PetroSA, Caltex and Stienmuller.

About Department 13

Based in Maryland, Department 13 (D13) was founded in 2010 by a team of former military operators, scientists and engineers who apply proprietary innovative advanced technology to emerging requirements. D13 is developing cutting-edge software and communication systems that have the potential to transform the networking and communication fields as well as current applications in drone defense, mobile phone IT security and secure enhanced Android phone systems. D13 is engaged with multiple counter UAS projects to provide strategic solutions for civil, military and commercial security requirements. D13 has a substantial intellectual property portfolio covering wireless protocol manipulation and communication networking software with applications in drone defense, local area and wide area cellular communications and networking, enhanced data bandwidth for all digital communications, cyber security for mobile devices and sophisticated RF technology applications (radiometrics). For more information about D13, please visit www.department13.com or follow us on Twitter (@D13ASX), LinkedIn and YouTube.