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Secure Information Exchange (SIE) architecture - Delivers unified communications for high security customers

Boldon James announces Version 3 security architecture that enables unified messaging across Microsoft platforms for military, intelligence & homeland security organisations

Maidenhead, Berkshire, UK – 1st May 2008 – Boldon James (a QinetiQ company), a leading provider of secure messaging solutions for Microsoft platforms announces the availability of its Secure Information Exchange (SIE) architecture, comprising an integrated suite of high security plug-in functionality to Microsoft products for email, instant messaging, video conferencing and document management.

Security components for each individual Microsoft platform are in themselves highly valuable, however when Boldon James' SIE is deployed, protective marks can be propagated between applications automatically maintaining high water mark session-level security attributes which maintains security policy and more easily facilitates business processes.

“Re-architected through 2006/7, market validated and now successfully deployed, SIE forms the fundamental cornerstone to our strategic vision of providing the appropriate level of security across all forms of Microsoft based communication, with the minimum of user intervention,” explains Kieron Sambrook-Smith, Boldon James' sales and marketing director. “in today's environment, Communities of Interest (CoI) are steadily evolving their 'ways of working' and refreshing technology to meet ever more complex 21st century information exchange requirements. As such, Boldon James has seen key changes in the underlying drivers that determine the purpose of military and intelligence based communications systems, namely:

- The 'need to share' versus the 'need to know'
- The desire to better convey intent and interpretation
- Security sophistication to enable wider information exploitation

The SIE architecture has been designed with the following in mind:

- Reusability and extensibility of accredited components in already widespread use
- Automation to scale to multi-user communities
- Mobile and tactical usage, i.e. handheld, web-based, low bandwidth

- Propagation of session level security attributes. Once a session/item has been marked, the label and the policy follow the user's journey, whichever Microsoft based product path it takes, achieving true secure information exchange
- Alignment with Microsoft's Unified Communications product set

Boldon James' business strategy is firmly aligned with Microsoft Unified Communications, offering tremendous business advantage to high security organisations by offering high grade identification, security, assurance and automation plug-in functionality across pre-integrated Microsoft platforms such as Exchange, Outlook, Office Communications Server and SharePoint.

Further details of Boldon James' Version 3 'Secure Information Exchange' architecture and solution set can be obtained by contacting one of our sales offices in Europe, the US or Australia.

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