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Saab receives order on Giraffe 1X radars from Denmark

Ahead of the EU leaders' security summits in Copenhagen in October 2025, the Danish Armed Forces engaged Saab to deploy several Giraffe 1X systems for surveying both civil and military infrastructure. Saab responded promptly, and after successfully operating the systems for over six months, the Danish Ministry of Defence Acquisition and Logistics Organisation (DALO) has now placed a permanent order for the systems.

Leading up to and during the high-profile summits in Copenhagen, industry and military units from several NATO countries, including the Swedish Armed Forces with Saab's anti-drone system, which includes the Giraffe 1X, were deployed to support security at various sites in Denmark. Additionally, Denmark rented extra Giraffe 1X systems from Saab, which have since been purchased.

"We delivered the systems just three days after receiving the initial request from DALO. This swift response was made possible not only by our own organizational capacity but also by the exceptional efficiency and cooperation shown by Swedish and Danish authorities. I want to emphasize DALO's solution-oriented approach, which significantly saved time and enabled our systems to commence air surveillance with drone detection in record time, says Carl-Johan Bergholm, head of Saab's business area Surveillance.

The Giraffe 1X is a high performing 3D radar that was deployed in the self-sufficient configuration Compact Radar module (CRM) which makes it excellent for urgent use with limited operational infrastructure. It also allows the user to move the module, including the radar from one platform to another, as an example from a pickup flatbed to a building or another vehicle.

The Giraffe 1X capabilities include detection, tracking, and classification of air targets including drones. The system covers the entire search volume every second and can detect fixed and rotary wing targets, fast missiles and RAM targets as well as small UAVs in high-clutter environments.

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