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NEWS RELEASE

Planet Communications Asia Co., Ltd. and Thales e-Security Seminar Focuses on Network Security and Transaction Security Solutions

Planet Communications Asia Co., Ltd., (PlanetComm), a leading wireless and multimedia solution provider working primarily in the South East Asia region, joined with Thales e-Security (Asia) Limited to host a two-part seminar on the topics of network security and transaction security in Bangkok, Thailand, on Thursday 5th June 2003.

The highly successful event; held at Shinawatra Tower III, Vibhavadi-Rangsit Road; was attended by more than one hundred participants from the Government, Military, Carrier and Banking sectors.

The morning session concentrated on network security and showcased Thales' flexible 'Datacryptor 2000' hardware encryption device, along with the new Thales 'Trusted VPN' which has been designed to equip mobile workers with robust security over the Internet. This type of security is of interest to commercial organizations as well as being of a sufficiently high-grade for governmental departments and the military.

The seminar included a demonstration of 'Trusted VPN' by initiating a live encrypted IP link over GPRS to Thales e-Security's secure LAN in their Research and Development office in Oslo, Norway. In addition an encrypted IP videoconference was demonstrated using the Thales 'Datacryptor 2000'.

The afternoon session put the spotlight on transaction security with detailed coverage of the Thales HSM 8000 and WebSentry line of products. This was of particular interest to banks and financial institutions interested in Triple DES, EMV and 3D Secure mandates, as well as any organisation requiring secure transactions to and from geographically dispersed locations.

Prapat Rathlertkarn, Managing Director of PlanetComm, said that, "PlanetComm has had a fruitful partnership with Thales e-Security for more than three years and we are delighted to be able to showcase their solutions at this event."

Richard Mallett, Managing Director, Thales e-Security Asia Pacific, who was present at the event, commented: "Thailand is a fast-growing market for security solutions and we are delighted to partner with PlanetComm who can engineer a complete solution for the customer"

About PlanetComm:

PlanetComm is a solution provider for wireless and multimedia applications. We have partnered with Thales e-Security since 2001. We also represent and distribute a broad range of telecom and datacom products such as Satellite, Carrier Access and Terrestrial Microwave, Networking, Security, VoIP, Videoconferencing and Peripherals. PlanetComm is fully certified under ISO 9001:2000 standard. Visit our website at www.planetcomm.com for more information.

About Thales e-Security

Operating in three main markets covering e-security, card payment and network security, Thales e-Security addresses the business, government and finance industry's need for cryptographic security products and solutions. Over half of the world's banks, together with the majority of the busiest exchanges, currently use Thales technology. For more than 20 years the company has been at the forefront of security and payment technology, co-operating and contributing to set the industry standards used for financial transactions and e-commerce globally. Thales e-Security offers a wide range of security solutions to protect Government and Defence critical information infrastructures,

thereby positioning the company as a leading worldwide supplier of certified network security products.
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