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KUALA LUMPUR, May 10 (Bernama) – Widad Business Group, an emerging force in Malaysia's defence sector, continues its strategic collaboration by announcing two significant partnerships during the recently-concluded Defence Services Asia (DSA) and National Security (NatSec) Asia 2024 exhibition.

The first partnership marks a momentous milestone as Widad Business Group solidifies its commitment to excellence in defense technology through a groundbreaking alliance with Hanwha Aerospace, South Korea's premier aerospace and defense company.

The signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Widad Business Group Executive Chairman Tan Sri Muhammad Ikmal Opat Abdullah and Executive Vice President of Hanwha Aerospace and General Manager of Hanwha Aerospace's Daejeon Plant, Go Sang-Hwe.

Muhammad Ikmal expresses utmost confidence in the collaboration's potential to enhance Malaysia's defense capabilities and fostering innovation.

This collaboration integrates Hanwha Aerospace's defense expertise through the K239 Chunmoo, a self propelled wheeled Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS).

Deployed by nations like South Korea, Poland, and others in the Middle East, these versatile rocket launcher systems can load two types of rocket pods at once.

Capable of launching 130mm and 239mm rockets with ranges of 36 and 80 kilometers, as well as launching a 290mm ballistic missile up to 290 kilometers, the system meet diverse operational needs effectively.

The successful test launch of the 290km CTM-290 missile from a Polish variant of Chunmoo system, named Homar-K, further validates their prowess’.

Chunmoo’s key features also includes precision strikes, sub 5 minutes rapid deployment, quick self-reloading and high tactical mobility which gives our army a longer range solution for maximum tactical capability.

Simultaneously, Widad Business Group's expansion into the defense technology arena is further exemplified through its collaboration with Havelsan Hava Elektronik Sanayi ve Ticaret AS, Turkiye’s largest military systems developer.

This partnership signifies a continuation of their previous successful collaboration in 2022.

The signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) during the DSA 2024 exhibition underscores their joint endeavor to identify and develop opportunities for the Weapon Training Shooting Simulator (WeTSS) project, thereby enhancing Malaysia's defense capabilities through advanced technology.

WeTSS is capable of simulating firing practice with real weapons minus live ammunition, thus greatly enhance training capabilities of our defense forces.

These strategic alliances not only strengthen commercial ties between Malaysia, South Korea, and Turkiye but also promise substantial benefits to both nations’ economic and technological landscapes.

As Widad Business Group continues to spearhead collaborative efforts in the defense sector, it reaffirms its position as a key player in supporting Malaysia's strategic objectives and fostering long-term success in defense technology and capability.