





PRESS RELEASE

## **Finmeccanica Statement**

Rome, 24 June 2015 – Finmeccanica informs that, in contrast with the news published by Sole 24 Ore today, Alenia Aermacchi has never participated in the international bid called by the Interior Ministry of Saudi Arabia with its C-27J tactical transport aircraft. Thus it is absolutely false to speak about a "defeat" for Finmeccanica. Consistently, to speak of "disappointment" within the Company is mere media hype.

Moreover, to define the C-27J as a "competitor" of Embraer's KC-390 (to which Finmeccanica-Selex ES supplies its Gabbiano T20 radars) shows scarce knowledge of the sector. The two aircrafts are entirely different, both in terms of technical characteristics and operating performance. The KC-390 is a twin-engine jet-powered military transport aircraft, weighing a maximum of 70 tons at take-off and with a load capacity of approximately 20 tons. By contrast, the C-27J is a turboprop tactical transport aircraft, suitable for short and semi-prepared air strips, weighing a maximum of 32 tons at take-off and with a load capacity of approximately 10 tons.

Finmeccanica reserves the right to take the necessary actions in order to protect the interests of the Company and its stakeholders.

## **NOTE TO EDITORS:**

Finmeccanica is Italy's leading manufacturer in the high technology sector and ranks among the top ten global players in Aerospace, Defence and Security. Listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (FNC IM; SIFI.MI), in 2014 Finmeccanica generated revenues of 14.6 billion Euro. With 273 locations and production facilities in 20 countries, Finmeccanica is a multinational and multicultural group which boasts a significant presence in four domestic markets: Italy, the United Kingdom, the U.S. and Poland. Finmeccanica's core business activities are in the following sectors: Helicopters (AgustaWestland), Defence Electronics and Security (Selex ES, DRS Technologies), Aeronautics (Alenia Aermacchi). The company also has a significant position in Space (Telespazio, Thales Alenia Space), Defence Systems (OTO Melara, WASS, MBDA) and Transportation (Ansaldo STS, AnsaldoBreda).