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ICOM and Kenwood Announce Strategic Alliance with Trident Micro Systems

(Las Vegas, NV – May 16, 2006) ICOM Incorporated, KENWOOD Corporation, and TRIDENT MICRO SYSTEMS announced today that they plan to form a strategic alliance to develop a new generation of digital networking systems. TRIDENT MICRO SYSTEMS is expected to join the previously announced ICOM and KENWOOD working alliance which jointly developed a common air interface for digital radio systems demonstrated at IWCE 2005. A strategic goal of this alliance will be to accommodate seamless migration from current analog systems to new digital technologies with boundary free expansion.

Further actions and details will be announced later from the alliance parties.

About Icom Incorporated (<http://www.icom.co.jp/world/index.html>)

ICOM Inc. has been a world leader in radio communications for over 40 years. One of a few organizations that manufacture a total radio line-up of Land Mobile, Marine, Amateur, Air Band and Communications Receivers, ICOM's technological prowess is legendary. ICOM continues to lead the industry with the development of digital technologies to provide the future in radio communications to the world.

About Kenwood Corporation (<http://www.kenwood.co.jp/en/>)

Kenwood Corporation with 11 domestic and 22 overseas subsidiaries around the world has been a global leader since its foundation in 1946 in Radio Communications Equipment and Mobile & Home Multimedia Systems. Of Kenwood's three business units, Car Electronics, Home Electronics and Communications Equipment, the Communications Sector has achieved a leading presence in the worldwide marketplace through the development, manufacture and sales of land mobile radio (LMR), amateur radio and low-power radio equipment for analog and digital systems.

About Trident Micro Systems (<http://www.tridentms.com/>)

Trident Micro Systems, headquartered in Arden, North Carolina, designs and manufactures innovative high quality products for Trunked radio system and network operators worldwide. Trident is the developer of the **PASSPORT**® trunking protocol and **NTS**® digital infrastructure that offers wide area dispatch networking capability.

NOTE

This press release is the presentation of matters regarding Kenwood, Icom and Trident Micro Systems to the general public, and was not prepared for the solicitation of investments.

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