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Territory company secures Australian-first defence contract

Business Minister Paul Henderson has congratulated Darwin-based company GecOz on securing an Australian-first contract with the Defence Science Technology Organisation (DSTO).

GecOz, an Information Communication Technology (ICT) company founded in 2001 by PhD students from the former Northern Territory University, will partner with DSTO in building an Airborne Imaging Radar System.

“GecOz is breaking new ground in ICT in Australia - once developed, the L Band Radar System will be the only one of its kind in Australia,” Mr Henderson said.

“This young company is a great example of the innovative ideas being developed by the Territory’s ICT sector, and I congratulate Dr Darren Bell and his team on securing this important contract.”

GecOz and DSTO signed the contract last Friday, a day after Mr Henderson and Minister Dr Peter Toyne secured an in-principle agreement from the Singapore Government to begin work on the development of a joint ICT business centre in Darwin.

“The Martin Government is working closely with the Territory’s ICT industry to develop more trade and business opportunities for companies like GecOz,” said Mr Henderson.

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