

# AURA Conquers Continents and Regions

*After the last year's Australian and Swedish success when AURA provided its software for support of NATO Codification MC CATALOGUE for the Armed Forces of both countries, AURA has achieved another superb successes with this logistic information system in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Republic of South Africa and in Japan. MC CATALOGUE, fully developed according to the NATO Codification System (NCS), is currently the most widely used codification software, which is used in different modifications in 19 countries on 5 continents.*

## MC CATALOGUJE – the most successful export article of AURA

The main activity of AURA, a purely Czech company, is development of own information systems and their implementation for armed forces, industry and public administration. The company provides its customers with original and unique products and services of a high quality that ensure the company a forefront in its field in the world and at home.

AURA is focused on information systems for materiel codification since the beginning of the implementation of the NCS in the field of defence in the Czech Republic in the second half of the 1990's. Implementation of this sophisticated information system into conditions of NATO and non-NATO countries together with other services constitutes the backbone of foreign strategy of AURA. MC CATALOGUE helps to increase the labour efficiency of National Codification Bureaus and the whole defence industry. It is possible to use a similar tool developed by AURA also for unambiguous specification of purchased goods and services in public procurement.

Not only a codification of the military equipment is possible, but also non-military products and services can be codified.

## Gate to the Near East and Middle East is opened

The information system for codification MC CATALOGUE 5 was set into the operation in the Armed Forces of the United Arab Emirates in the beginning of March of this year. Attended by high representatives of the UAE Armed Forces, an international exchange of data with other NCS engaged countries started and historically the first UAE's NSN (NATO Stock Number – a unique identification of an item of supply) has been created. The Chief of Logistics of the UAE's Armed Forces appreciated excellent result of the project and he emphasised its high importance to the logistics of the UAE Armed Forces. The United Arab Emirates is the first country from the Near East who uses currently the most modern codification information system MC CATALOGUE.

## Phenomenal success of AURA in Africa

After several years of exacting cooperation with South African partners, a project of implementation of MC CATALOGUE successfully began in the South African National Armed Forces in September of this year. In the next few days a project team of AURA will



start its operation and after installation of an initial version of MC CATALOGUE, they will start to work on an implementation of an interface on present systems used by the South African Armed Forces.

## MC CATALOGUE won Japan

During the Pacific Area Cataloguing Seminar (PACS) that took place at the end of October this year in Tokyo, the Director of the National Codification Bureau of Japan announced officially to representatives of AURA company a decision for joining Japan to the number of countries who chose MC CATALOGUE as a base for the national military logistics. At the same time he welcomed a possibility of support of AURA in the process of transformation of Japan into the level Tier 2 – the highest level of the integration of a country to the NCS. The full engagement of Japan in these international structures is a very important step in current tense safety situation in the region. The fact that Japan, absolute ICT world power, chose for this purpose AURA and MC CATALOGUE is an amazing success of this company and incredible appreciation of a quality and reliability of its work in the field of logistic information systems.

by Antonín Svěrák, photo AURA

