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Rheinmetall wins major contract for mortar ammunition

Order volume tops €50 million

Rheinmetall Defence of Düsseldorf has booked an order to supply the Royal Dutch Armed Forces with 81mm mortar ammunition. Covered by a framework contract extending over a three-year period, the order is worth €51 million. The framework contract contains an option for extending the agreement twice by one year. For 2008, the Royal Dutch Armed Forces have already activated a first tranche worth €16.5 million.

This order further underscores Rheinmetall's role as Europe's foremost supplier of large- and medium-calibre weapons and ammunition. Besides 81mm mortar ammunition, the Dutch Army places its trust in many other Rheinmetall products.

The new contract thus builds on a longstanding relationship between the two parties. In the long run, this order will serve to optimize procurement flows and product quality as well as fostering closer cooperation between Rheinmetall Defence and the Dutch Army in the development of new ammunition.

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