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BP3 page 61 the output for Victorian defence vision, even looking at page 64, there's detail provided that it provides funding for the administration of the Victorian land system's fund which supports supply chain in our state.

Can you provide the committee with a list of the supply chain partners to Hanwha defence Australia?

Supplementary Question: In relation to Hanwha specifically to get more of an exhaustive sense, in respect to the directory. Can you provide a list even on notice, if necessary?

Answer:

Hanwha Defence Australia (Hanwha) has been awarded 2 contracts by the Australian Government Department of Defence (Defence) to deliver land vehicles for the Australian Defence Forces.

- LAND 8116: \$1 billion contract to build 30 self-propelled howitzers and 15 resupply vehicles
- LAND 400 Phase 3 – Infantry Fighting Vehicle (IFV) Program: \$5-7 billion contract to build 129 'Redback' IFVs and manoeuvre support vehicles.

As Defence contracts these programs to Hanwha to deliver as the 'Prime' contractor, information regarding the commerciality, suppliers and delivery of these programs is held by these 2 parties.

The Victorian Government has programs that it delivers to support Hanwha's current and future work in the state. The Victorian Land Systems Fund (VLSF) was announced in August 2022 to support Hanwha's existing and potential Victorian-based supply chain partners to deliver the LAND 8116 and LAND 400 Phase 3 Programs.

Relevant information - excluding Commercial in Confidence information – related to the VLSF is publicly available on Victorian Government and Hanwha Defence Australia websites.

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Aiv PUGLIELLI: Okay. Turning to page 8, the output initiatives in relation to funding the Economic Growth Statement, in the statement a key aim is to make Victoria the natural choice for defence-related contracts, and a part of this funding is for:

A dedicated specialist team to maintain consistent relationships with major defence primes and supply-chain providers.

Can you provide the committee with a list of the major defence primes that are being talked about here that we are maintaining relationships with?

Colin BROOKS: I think the primes that you are referring to would broadly be defined in the Victorian Defence Vision Statement. It is a public document. If there are others, I do not think there would be too many that are not mentioned in the Victorian Defence Vision Statement.

Aiv PUGLIELLI: Okay.

Colin BROOKS: Did you want to add to that?

Danni JARRETT: I think, as the Minister said, most of the primes are broadly well known companies; they are mainly multinational companies that have contracts not only in Australia but also internationally.

Aiv PUGLIELLI: Yes, but just to get a sense of the exhaustive list, if you can come back to me: is that possible?

Danni JARRETT: We can include that list of what is available in relation to the other lists that you have asked for on Hanwha's supply chain.

Response:

Victoria is proud to host innovative defence and aerospace companies and actively engages with a range of major defence primes to understand their interests in expanding their footprint in the state and the potential for job creation, capability and capacity uplift and investment this can generate.

‘Primes’ that operate in our state, include:

- Babcock Australasia
- BAE Systems Australia
- Boeing Aerostructures
- Hanwha Defence Australia
- L3Harris
- Leidos
- Leonardo
- Lockheed Martin Australia
- Moog
- Rheinmetall
- Saab
- Thales Australia
- Navantia
- Northrop Grumman.