Dedrone Acquires Aerial Armor to Accelerate Airspace Security Leadership

Highly strategic transaction brings together two of the best teams and technology platforms in counterdrone security

STERLING, Va. and PHOENIX, Az., January 5, 2023 -- Dedrone, the market leader in smart airspace security, today announced its acquisition of Aerial Armor, a leader in counterdrone systems and integrator of drone detection hardware. The acquisition will enable Dedrone to deliver the best-in-class technology platform to meet airspace security needs of the future as demand for counterdrone protections continues to increase in the US and around the world. As part of the acquisition, Dedrone will honor all Aerial Armor customer contracts and retain all employees, including CEO Russ Haugan and CTO Matt Altman. Customers of each company will continue with no changes to their solutions in the near term. Over time, Dedrone will leverage the best elements of both companies' solutions, paving the way for customers to easily implement a multi-sensor fusion, cUAS (counter Uncrewed Aerial Systems) command and control (C2) platform into their security infrastructure.

"We have created a fantastic rapport with the team at Aerial Armor and are greatly impressed with their technology, expertise and the strong customer relationships they've built. As we come together under the Dedrone umbrella, we're confident we will continue to find great synergies in our respective platforms and bring new innovations to market for our customers," said Aaditya Devarakonda, CEO of Dedrone. "All of our customers around the world will reap the benefits of our more powerful C2 cUAS system, powered by inputs from a multitude of sensors including radio frequency (RF), radars and cameras in a single UI."

Devarakonda continued, "I am thrilled to have Russ, Matt and the entire Aerial Armor team join Dedrone. We are constantly looking for the finest talent in the market and Aerial Armor provides one of the best groups of individuals with a deep understanding of the cUAS space. I have a lot of respect for the business they have built and am looking forward to building the best-of-breed solution for our customers."

The move is the latest in a series of developments following Dedrone's growth in recent months, including a rapid increase in global demand for detection, tracking, identification, and mitigation technology to protect airspace. Its platform and products, including DedronePortable, are in use by governments around the world.

"The ever-increasing threats to airspace make it clear that the world needs a strong counterdrone C2 platform — point solutions will no longer be enough. Dedrone offers a like-minded team in its approach to the future of airspace security, which is why this acquisition is an important one for our 100+ customers and team to continue to deliver the best possible solution for airspace security against the persistent and escalating threat of drones," added Russ Haugan, CEO of Aerial Armor. "Together, our strengths will continue to

provide best-in-class service to the venues, airports, federal entities and law enforcement agencies that rely on us for truly secure airspace no matter the perimeter size."

Dedrone most recently introduced DedroneDefender, a handheld, low-collateral mitigation tool designed for law enforcement in even the most complex of urban environments. Dedrone works across 40 countries and customers include four of the G-7 nation governments; nine U.S. federal agencies; more than 75 critical infrastructure sites; 20+ airports; and 50 prisons worldwide. The company actively provides counterdrone solutions for some of the most high-profile events around the world and works closely with more than 35 law enforcement agencies.

About Dedrone
Dedrone is the market leader in smart airspace security. Hundreds of commercial, government and military sites around the world trust Dedrone's comprehensive, counterdrone command and control solution to protect against the persistent and escalating threat from drones. By leveraging AI and machine learning, Dedrone is the only solution that provides continuous, autonomous interrogation and verification of drones. Whether on-premise / air-gapped or in the cloud, Dedrone customers can easily detect, track, identify, analyze and mitigate drone threats. Established in 2014, Dedrone is headquartered just outside of Washington, D.C., and has offices in San Francisco and San Diego, California, Columbus, Ohio, London, UK and Kassel, Germany. For more information on drone-related activity visit our global incident center or to reach our airspace security experts, visit dedrone.com and follow us on Twitter, Vimeo, and LinkedIn.

About Aerial Armor
Aerial Armor has been at the forefront of the drone defense industry since 2016 as a service provider and systems integrator for cUAS solutions. Our diverse team specializes in the use of cutting-edge technology to detect and manage drone-related threats. Using the latest drone detection systems, we provide you with customized solutions for your security needs. Our services combine cutting-edge technology, easy data access, and intuitive interfaces to easily incorporate drone detection into your security operations.

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