



Thales: issue of a € 800 million bond

Neuilly-sur-Seine, le 13 mars 2013 – Thales (NYSE Euronext Paris: HO) has issued today a €800m dual tranche bond with a €500m 5-year, 1.625% tranche and a €300m, 8-year, 2.25% tranche.

This issue will be used to refinance the €600m bond maturing in April 2013. It forms part of the active liquidity management of Thales and enables to maintain the Group's financial flexibility and extend the maturity of its financial resources.

The marked success of this issue with investors confirms the confidence of the market in the creditworthiness of the Group. The long term debt of Thales is rated BBB+ (outlook: positive) by Standard & Poor's and A2 by Moody's (outlook: negative).

The issue was lead managed by BNP Paribas, CA-CIB, Citibank, Deutsche Bank, HSBC, Natixis and Société Générale.

About Thales

Thales is a global technology leader for the Defence & Security and the Aerospace & Transportation markets. In 2012, the company generated revenues of €14.2 billion with 67,000 employees in 56 countries. With its 25,000 engineers and researchers, Thales has a unique capability to design, develop and deploy equipment, systems and services that meet the most complex security requirements. Thales has an exceptional international footprint, with operations around the world working with customers as local partners. www.thalesgroup.com

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