



## Statement from Safran

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Safran confirms that a letter was addressed to the Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Zodiac proposing that the two groups examine the merits of bringing their activities together.

At this point, Safran acknowledges the reaction of Zodiac's Board while remaining convinced of the obvious logic from an industrial and a strategic perspective, for all stakeholders involved, of bringing the businesses together in the context of the inevitable trend towards consolidation of first tier aerospace equipment firms.

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