Lockheed Martin Contributes To American Community School Of Abu Dhabi Expansion Project

Lockheed Martin has announced the Corporation's commitment of $3 million to expand the facilities of the American Community School of Abu Dhabi (ACS), increasing primary and secondary educational opportunities within the Emirate.

The project will double the school's current capacity of 980 students and allow for even greater diversity in its student body. Reflecting an ACS core value that "diversity with respect is a strength," the current student population represents approximately 47 different nationalities of which American, Canadian, and UAE nationalities are most prevalent. Construction, to be completed over an approximately 20-month period, will include a new middle and high school campus.

Established in 1972, ACS serves international and local families seeking high-quality college preparatory education in Abu Dhabi. Using an American-based curriculum, the school is licensed by the UAE Ministry of Education and is accredited in the United States by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

"Lockheed Martin's goal is to be a good corporate partner in the UAE and we have focused on education, particularly math and science to develop the next generation of engineers and technologists," said Robert J. Stevens, Lockheed Martin Chairman, President and CEO. "This commitment is one example of how Lockheed Martin goes beyond its products and services to address pressing needs in the community."

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 146,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation reported 2008 sales of $42.7 billion.

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