

## Canada shines at U.S. Maritime Security Expo

Canadian excellence in the field of security technologies was well represented at the second annual **U.S. Maritime Security Conference and Expo** held in New York in October 2003. Fast becoming one of the major trade shows in its sector, this event showcased more than 200 exhibitors from all over the world, including five Canadian companies seeking new business opportunities in the U.S.

There was an abundance of Canadian savoir-faire on display at this major international trade show, and Transport Minister David Collenette was there to promote Canadian capabilities in this sector. Minister Collenette met with the



Transport Minister David Collenette (right) learning about the Night Navigator night vision device from Douglas Houghton, President of Current Corporation

representatives of **Canadian Submarine Technologies**, a British Columbia (B.C.) company that designs and builds small submarines for security applications. The company's two prototype submersibles, on display for the first time at the show, were a big hit with visitors and attendees.

Minister Collenette also met with representatives of **Hike Metal Products Ltd., Rosborough Boats Ltd., C-Tech and Current Corporation**. Hike Metal Products Ltd., a shipbuilding company located on the shores of Lake Erie near Windsor, builds a wide range of crafts for law enforcement purposes. This company has been successful at getting contracts with leading Canadian and American clients, including the U.S. National Parks Services and the Canadian Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

A family-run company out of Halifax, Rosborough Boats Ltd. is a world-class designer and builder of custom boats, while Ontario-based C-Tech specializes in underwater sonars. Current Corporation, a B.C.-based company, designs night vision devices, including its current Night Navigator line of products for high-speed ferries, coast guard vessels and other marine vessels. Each

of these Canadian companies attended the Expo to seek out new business opportunities in the U.S. and to showcase Canadian expertise in the field of maritime security technologies.

The Canadian Consulate General in New York was an active participant at this year's exposition and conference. The Consulate General was represented by an information kiosk providing background information on the Canada-U.S. Smart Border Action Plan and new Canadian maritime security measures to attendees.

**For more information** on the next Maritime Security Expo, contact Mike Rosenberg, President, EJKrause, tel.: **(301) 493-5500**, e-mail: [rosenberg@ejkrause.com](mailto:rosenberg@ejkrause.com), Web site: [www.maritimesecurityexpo.com](http://www.maritimesecurityexpo.com) ✪

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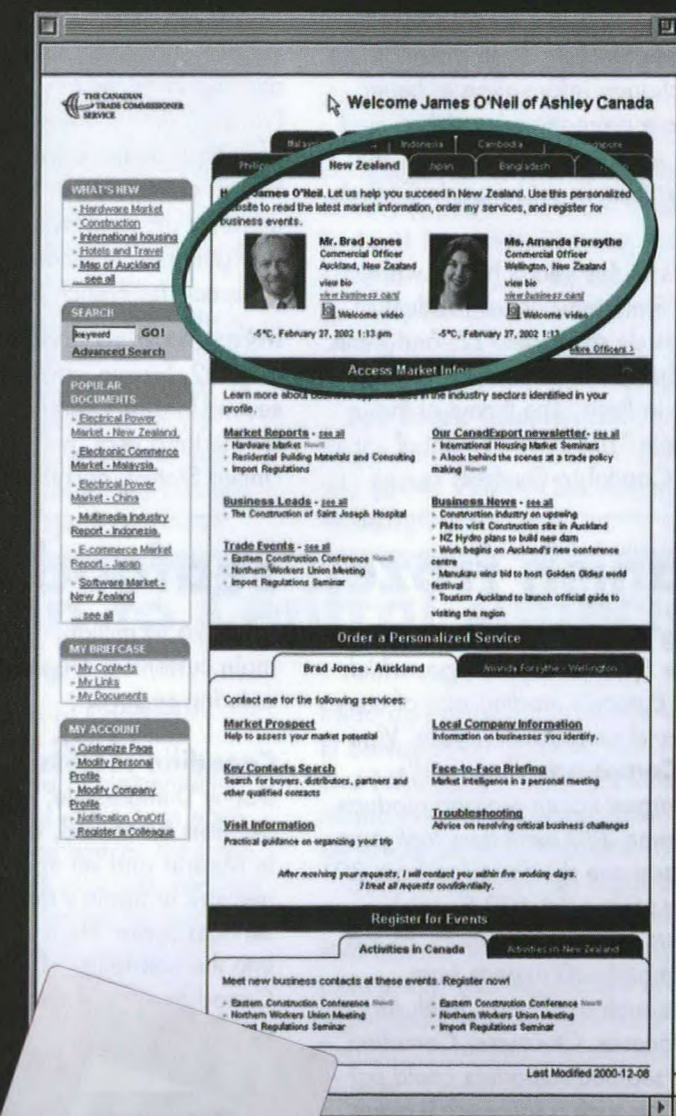
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