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Entrust's EAC ePassport Platform Implemented for Slovakia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Trusted security expert provides governments easy-to-deploy, off-the-shelf ePassport platform

DALLAS — August 8, 2009 — With the European Union's Extended Access Control (EAC) ePassport deadline recently expiring, Entrust, Inc., has once again emerged as one of the leaders in ePassport development, deployment and innovation. The trusted security expert deployed second-generation ePassport architecture — also known as Extended Access Control (EAC) — for the Slovak Republic's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

“Required by the EU, this latest generation of ePassports provides enhanced security and authentication capabilities for today's machine-readable travel documents (MRTD),” said Tomas Babjak, project manager for EAC project implementation from the Department of Security and Information Processing, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic. “EAC ePassports improve security at border checkpoints and provide additional assurances for the safety of our citizens.”

The Entrust EAC ePassport solution in Slovak Republic is currently deployed to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs facility in the country's capital of Bratislava, as well as 72 consular posts around the world. In detail, Entrust implemented a Document Verifying Certification Authority (DVCA) and the accompanying inspection station concentrator, which enables Slovakian citizens living abroad to (visualize or inspect) its obtained EAC ePassports.

“EAC ePassport technology is a critical next step for global border security initiatives,” said Entrust President and CEO Bill Conner. “Although the EU has issued certain mandates, the Slovak Republic is proactive and serves as a strong model for other EAC ePassport implementations.”

Countries are in the process of evolving their ePassport programs to a second-generation framework that includes capabilities for EAC. EU member countries were required to add fingerprint data to MRTDs with the biometric information protected through the EAC scheme by June 2009.

Having been actively involved in security for ePassports from the formative stages of the technology, Entrust is currently the only security vendor that offers a dual-rooted ePassport solution, which enables organization to deploy BAC ePassports and then seamlessly migrate to EAC ePassports from a single platform. Working with leading system integrators, Entrust products have unprecedented interoperability to work with these systems and ensure that the integrity of, and access to, the credentials is secure.

Entrust has a long history of providing security software and services to government agencies across the world. Entrust provides security solutions for e-government and national security initiatives in more than 30 countries worldwide. Government agencies are leveraging the flexible and scalable solutions that Entrust offers to secure transactions and information internally and with citizens, businesses, suppliers and contractors.

About Entrust

Entrust provides trusted solutions that secure digital identities and information for enterprises and governments in 2,000 organizations spanning 60 countries. Offering trusted security for less, Entrust solutions represent the

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