Soitron's statement on the media coverage concerning the origin and legality of stationary traffic-monitoring cameras.

Bratislava, August 6, 2026 – Soitron, s.r.o. is responding to media claims raising doubts about the origin and legality of stationary speed-monitoring devices. We firmly reject the claims that the cameras originate from the Russian Federation.

The supplier of the equipment is it-s, j.s.a., which distributes the NERO R-ONE devices manufactured by SODASUS ltd. SODASUS took over production, know-how, and development of these devices from the original Croatian manufacturer, NEROline d.o.o., which has been a long-standing supplier of this equipment within the EU.

The devices have been referred to in the media as "cameras"; in reality, they are an integrated system comprising road speed meters – i.e., legally designated measuring instruments – and a video system. The devices were deployed legally, were used solely for testing the solution, and do not transmit or make data accessible to any third parties. To dispel any doubts, we are handing over our test device to the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic, which will have it inspected by the National Security Authority.

Soitron has operated in the public safety sector for many years. The technologies we supply and integrate are currently used by police forces in the Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Slovakia, and Moldova. We have long been building and developing our own platform, MOSY, within which we use and integrate devices from various manufacturers according to the customer's technical specifications and market availability. We are not tied to any single manufacturer or device.

This platform also underpins the National Vehicle Register (NEV) project, on which we are working for the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic. Part of this project is the expansion of the system with a transaction module, the acceptance of which forms part of a milestone under Slovakia's Recovery and Resilience Plan. It was precisely because of this milestone that the radar devices referenced in media reports were deployed for testing.

How this all came about

Soitron s.r.o. has been a long-term partner of the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic, not only in information and communication technologies but also in supporting the operations of the Police Force of the Slovak Republic. This cooperation dates back to 2010, when the first mobile field workstation project was launched as part of the National Vehicle Register (NEV) project. This project placed the Police Force of the Slovak Republic at the technological forefront of its time, with the delivered solution functionally and technologically surpassing comparable solutions used elsewhere in the EU and around the world. Police patrols gained online access to registries, in-vehicle camera footage, automatic license plate recognition of surrounding vehicles, real-time operational management, and other useful functions. The automated license-plate processing alone significantly helped

reduce vehicle-related crime, as stolen vehicles were being identified and recovered shortly after theft.

As part of the natural technological evolution of the solution, as well as advances in state IT and public administration legislation and cybersecurity, a project to rebuild this solution and adapt it to new information systems for operational and crisis management – referred to as "NEV 2.5" – was procured and launched last year.

At the same time, the Ministry of Interior was addressing the Automated Detection of Road Traffic Violations project, the procurement process for which had been suspended due to an ongoing, long-running review by the Public Procurement Office (ÚVO). At the same time, however, it was necessary to address the approaching milestone under the Recovery Plan, under which the Slovak Republic had committed to establishing and putting such a system into operation.

The Ministry therefore chose an alternative approach and, in logical connection with the ongoing NEV 2.5 project, expanded its cooperation with our company to include a universal technical module that provides functions for collecting data from various types of automated technical devices ("TDs") and subsequently automatically processing road traffic violations, which, after evaluation and validation, are handed over as supporting documentation for the relevant administrative proceedings systems.

The scope of the expanded project did not include any technical devices (cameras), as it was assumed that the ÚVO reviews would be concluded and that the devices would be procured through the previously launched public tender. We emphasize that Soitron did not participate in that tender. However, due to the need for development, testing, and integration work, we could not wait for the selection and delivery of those devices, and our company therefore proceeded to procure three of its own TDs for these purposes. The system itself was designed from the outset to be open and not tied to any specific type of device; the choice of devices used was based primarily on their actual market availability and relevance to the project – the system is intended to evaluate multiple types of violations, not only speeding.

Given the delays in the ongoing reviews, it became clear that the Ministry of Interior would no longer be able to procure the originally intended devices and integrate them into the delivered system in time. At the same time, it was necessary to demonstrate the functionality of the entire chain – from detecting the offense through to issuing the sanction – in order to meet the milestones of the Recovery Plan. The Ministry therefore approached our company for assistance in finding a suitable technical solution, and the logical path proved to be the use of the devices we had been using for development and testing. These devices were also, from the supplier's side, in the final stage of the certification process for the Slovak market by the Slovak Institute of Metrology, making it realistically possible to meet the milestone using them. The Ministry therefore purchased two units of these TDs for testing purposes.

The number of types and kinds of stationary road speed meters that simultaneously meet the technical specifications of the original tender and the type-approval requirements for

measuring instruments in the Slovak Republic is very limited. We selected a device that met these requirements and could be delivered within the required timeframe.

On the legality of the devices

The device that received media coverage, located on the premises of Soitron, s.r.o., is the property of Soitron. It was not deployed in the customer's environment and is used exclusively for internal testing and development.

At this stage, therefore, it did not constitute the use of a legally regulated measuring instrument within the meaning of the Metrology Act, and verification of the measuring instrument was not required. For the avoidance of any misunderstanding, no record was or can be used as the basis for any offense proceedings.

The NERO R-ONE road speed meter holds a type approval issued by the Slovak Institute of Metrology under mark TSK 162/26-044, dated June 30, 2026, valid until June 30, 2036. Before any live deployment, each unit is subject to initial verification and subsequent annual verification. It can only be deployed into live operation – i.e., for detecting offenses – after this verification has taken place.

The device transmits on a frequency of 24.15 GHz, within the 24.05–24.25 GHz band, which is covered in Slovakia by a general authorization from the Regulatory Authority for Electronic Communications and Postal Services (RÚ) and does not require an individual license. Compliance with electromagnetic compatibility and electrical safety requirements is documented by protocols from accredited testing laboratories.

On data handling

The device's radar sensor is a product of the German company smart microwave sensors GmbH. It is a closed system: the device is not connected to any public networks, captures only sensor data, and transmits it solely to the designated system. It has no access to any other data.

The test device is operated in a dedicated network segment, separated from the company's standard IT infrastructure. Operational data is stored exclusively on local, encrypted storage on the premises of SOITRON, s.r.o. in the Slovak Republic and is not transferred to any cloud or foreign environment. Access to the data is restricted according to the principle of least privilege, and every access is logged. Data processing takes place in isolation, within a test environment.

For this phase, the only requirement under personal data protection law is a GDPR notification, which the company has completed.

Independent verification

We consider questions about data and operational security to be legitimate. We will therefore be handing over our test device – the exact device referenced in the media

reports – to the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic, which will have it inspected by the National Security Authority.

Statement from the equipment supplier

The equipment supplier's statement is attached to this press release.

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