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DETECTION TECHNOLOGY A WINNER AT HOME AND ABROAD

Victorian technology used on the frontline in the fight against terror around the world is creating jobs at home, thanks to funding from the Andrews Labor Government.

Port Melbourne company GreyScan is working towards contracts with international security agencies including in the United States and across the globe as it grows both its world-leading reputation and workforce.

GreyScan's portable technology detects traces of inorganic materials that can be used to make home-made explosives.

Analysing swabs within 40 seconds, GreyScan's device detects inorganic explosives and is being evaluated by authorities around the world to ultimately be used at airports, train stations and major events with demand growing.

The company will produce around 2,000 ETD devices at its new Port Melbourne high-volume facility, creating 25 jobs with plans for a further 60 in coming years.

The Labor Government has backed GreyScan through its *Future Industries Manufacturing Program*. A total of 65 projects have won support through this program, creating 738 jobs across the state.

GreyScan already exports to 23 clients in six countries and engages with 31 Victorian companies and its success highlights Victoria's diverse and rapidly-growing defence industry.

Victoria's defence sector employs more than 18,500 people in 770 businesses, contributing \$8 billion to the state's economy each year.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Jobs, Innovation and Trade Martin Pakula

"GreyScan is a Victorian success story and we're proud to play our part in creating 25 jobs right here in Melbourne and exporting our world-class detection technology to the world."

"We're supporting the best home-grown products to create jobs and keep people safe."

"Victoria is recognised globally for its ability to develop new technologies that advance Victoria's manufacturing industry and create jobs now and into the future."

Quote attributable to GreyScan chairman Michael Lawrey

"The project will enable GreyScan to develop an end-to-end production facility that will produce up to 2000 inorganic ETD devices annually – the benefits of GreyScan having its own facility will also help us employ more Victorians."

Quote attributable to GreyScan Founding Director Jefferson Harcourt

"GreyScan is Australian technology commercialisation working at it's very best. GreyScan has hit the ground running, and is uniquely positioned to perform a very important function on the world stage".

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