

PRESS RELEASE

**FN BROWNING GROUP MAKES CAPITAL INVESTMENT
IN FN UK**

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FN Browning Group has made a circa £13M capital investment in its UK subsidiary FN UK.

This investment shows the commitment FN Browning Group have in the UK business and the importance of retaining a manufacturing facility in the UK.

Following the UK MOD announcement of the contract they placed with FN UK for the Mid Life Improvement of the .50 Cal Heavy Machine Gun at DSEI, Julien Compere, CEO of FN Browning Group, announced the capital investment.

**JULIEN COMPÈRE,
CEO OF FN BROWNING
GROUP:**

The HMG contract is more than a contract, it is a mutual commitment: a commitment to operational excellence, a commitment to long-term collaboration, and a commitment to the British defence ecosystem. This investment is a consequence of the trust the UK MOD are placing in us.

**MICHELLE CANTONI,
CEO OF FN UK:**

This large capital investment secures jobs in the UK as well as allowing us to plan for our long term future. FN UK is here to stay, to grow and to continue serving those who serve.

This thirteen-million-pound investment shows FN's determination to stand by the UK MOD, not only to meet their needs in small arms, but also to strengthen the UK's security of supply and strategic autonomy.

As the only company manufacturing assault rifles and machine guns in the country, FN UK regards the British Armed Forces as more than just a partner: they are the reason the company exists.

2025 marks the 50th anniversary of FN UK. This investment is a strengthening of the company's relationship with the British Armed Forces, which is precisely why this company was created in 1975. FN UK will be here in years to come, supporting major programmes such as Grayburn, the Army's rifle replacement programme, along with the HMG Mid-Life Improvement programme.

As a reliable industrial partner, FN can assure the MOD of its commitment to supporting the British Army and, as the FN purpose states: "To empower those who serve, defend and protect us with the most dependable defence and security solutions."

ABOUT FN BROWNING GROUP

FN Browning Group is a world leader in designing, manufacturing and marketing first-class solutions for defence, security, hunting and sports shooting.

Owned by a Belgian federal state entity (Walloon Region), FN Browning Group employs 4,100 people across more than 25 sites in Europe and North America, including in the UK.