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Description of the concentration

On 24 April 2009 the Safran Group announced that it executed a stock purchase agreement to acquire a majority stake of 81% in GE Homeland Protection Inc. (GEHP), whereas the General Electric Company will retain a stake of 19%. GEHP's principal products include Explosives Detection Systems ("EDS") which detect explosives through analysis of computed tomography (CT) profiles and through X-ray diffraction analysis, and Trace products which detect and analyze microscopic traces of particles or vapor through an ion trap mobility spectrometer.