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COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, UNITED STATES, December 3, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [TCOM](#), L.P., a global leader for innovative, cost-effective ISR Airborne Persistent Surveillance Aerostat Solutions—accepted a Platinum Award presented by American Security Today for its Persistent Surveillance [Aerostats](#) as part of the 2018 'ASTORS' Homeland Security Awards.



The 'ASTORS' program is specifically designed to honor distinguished government and vendor solutions that deliver enhanced value, benefit and intelligence to end users in a variety of government, homeland security, enterprise, and public safety vertical markets.

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Aerostats offer persistent surveillance solutions that have unique advantages over traditional ground-based and airborne surveillance systems. Aerostat systems act as a “virtual fence” along coastlines, around vessels, or the port perimeter by providing continuous, real-time monitoring of activities in a cost-effective solution. The systems can detect threats at greater range and in the blind spots of traditional surface-based sensors, providing security forces with more time to think, react, engage, and neutralize threats.

Combining powerful radar, longer deployment times and customizable payload configurations with low cost per flight hour configurations, TCOM's aerostats are the perfect solution for persistent surveillance. Moreover, aerostats offer a combination of wide viewing angles and high resolution for more precise identification of small objects, as well as surveillance of larger areas. In short, aerostats enable true persistent, real-time tactical ISR at an affordable cost.

“As the nation continues to respond to escalating threats from home and abroad, the innovative solutions being implemented to meet those threats, have led to tremendous growth in the field of Homeland Security,” said Michael Madsen, co-founder, and publisher of American Security Today. “Today, the United States is increasingly focusing on protecting IT/cyber security networks, and government and security professionals are calling on innovative companies like those honored with 2018 ASTORS Awards, to help them do so.”

"ASTORS' nominations are evaluated by American Security Today's panel of sector experts on their technical innovation, interoperability, specific impact within the category, overall impact to the industry, relatability to other industry technologies, and application feasibility outside of the industry," according to Tammy Waitt, co-founder and editorial director of American Security Today.

"It's very rewarding to be recognized for our pioneering work in addressing the important security needs of persistent surveillance. What differentiates TCOM's aerostats is their ease of deployment, efficiency and the fact that they can serve as eyes in the sky. For those reasons, TCOM Aerostats have been used as part of the longest ongoing Aerostat surveillance operations," said Matthew McNiel, VP of Business Development at TCOM.

About TCOM, LP:

TCOM, LP is a global leader of Intelligence, Surveillance & Reconnaissance (ISR) solutions of Lighter-than-Air Persistent Surveillance Tethered Aerostat platforms for Air, Maritime, and Land. For over 40 years, the company's pioneering innovations have defined the persistent surveillance and Lighter-than-Air industries. By blending leading-edge technology, manufacturing, and field operation capabilities, TCOM has provided ISR systems for the United States and foreign governments with complete persistent surveillance capabilities. Our systems are in use around the globe including theaters of combat in Iraq and Afghanistan. TCOM's delivered systems include fixed-site deployments, fully transportable systems, and specialized sea-based deployments. TCOM's headquarters are based in Columbia, MD and the Manufacturing & Flight Test Facility is located near Elizabeth City, NC. TCOM is the

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