

COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
SUPPORT

*Data Automated Communications
Terminal (DACT)*

DESCRIPTION

The Data Automated Communications Terminal (DACT) will be a computer and communications terminal, or family of terminals, used in both tactical and garrison environments for preparing and exchanging information, to include situational awareness, critical to the conduct of the particular mission at hand.

PROCUREMENT PROFILE:	FY00	FY01
<i>Quantity:</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>950</i>

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

The DACT will be the primary Command and Control Information System for Commanders below the Battalion/Squadron level within the Marine Corps. It is the forward entry device for entering information into the Marine Corps' tactical data network ultimately flowing into other C2 systems such as TCO, IAS, AFATDS, GCCS, and others. It is also the recipient device of information from those systems. The DACT will also have a large operational impact with approximately 4,000 systems planned for fielding throughout the FMF and supporting establishment.

PROGRAM STATUS

The DACT is currently in the Engineering and Manufacturing Development Phase. IOC is scheduled for FY01 with FOC in FY03.

DEVELOPER/MANUFACTURER

Hardware manufacturer: EPS/Tadiran

Vehicle Mount Adapter: Raytheon Technical Services Corp.

Software Developers: INRI, MCTSSA