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Vancouver, British Columbia, February 19th, 2026. The use of networked drone fleets is surging in both military and commercial fields. Modern drones increasingly operate with high autonomy and in coordinated swarms. In defense, these unmanned systems carry out complex reconnaissance, surveillance, and even attack missions with minimal human control. Analysts note that “drone warfare is now a core component of statecraft and military doctrine” and that unmanned systems are “shaping the future of conflict”. Similarly, in civilian use, fleets of drones are deployed in everything from infrastructure inspection to entertainment. Their ability to work together enables entirely new applications, as highlighted by InDro Robotics founder Philip Reece in a National CTV interview ([here](#)). Drones today are highly platform-agnostic and flexible. For example, InDro’s Cortex vastly enhances flexibility by integrating into any vehicle or robot. As Reece observes, the same underlying drone technology can be “rapidly swapped over to defense, underscoring its dual-use adaptability. This versatility means a drone design proven in one sector can quickly be repurposed for others.

Military Trends: Autonomy and Swarming

Defense forces worldwide are adopting more autonomous, uncrewed aircraft. New designs enable drones to continue missions even if their connection to a human pilot is lost. Swarming tactics, which coordinate dozens or hundreds of UAVs as a single unit, are a major focus. In a swarm, each drone follows precise algorithms and low-latency commands so the group can form complex patterns and perform tasks in unison. Such swarms offer advantages like wide-area surveillance, redundancy, and the ability to overwhelm enemy defenses. For example, modern UAVs now facilitate precision deep strikes and real-time intelligence gathering previously conducted by piloted aircraft. While some analyses emphasize that drones often augment, rather than entirely replace human pilots, it is clear that many missions once flown by crewed planes or helicopters are being transferred to

remote or autonomous systems. In short, uncrewed systems are taking on increasingly critical military roles, marking a shift from human-occupied flights towards networked, remotely operated missions.

Commercial Innovation: Drone Light Shows

In the commercial world, one of the most visible trends is drone light shows replacing fireworks. Coordinated fleets of LED-equipped drones now animate the sky with high-resolution images and animations. For example, during China's Spring Festival celebrations, a show of 700 drones flew in perfect unison to illustrate local landmarks and cultural symbols. A tourist even remarked that "drone shows have replaced the traditional fireworks, offering us a different New Year experience". In the UAE, Ras Al Khaimah's 2026 New Year's Eve event featured 2,300 drones forming a giant phoenix in the sky. It was completed with 1,000 "pyro-drones" lighting its wings like flames. Even more grand, China's 2026 Spring Gala used a synchronized fleet of 22,580 drones to create 3D animations, building shapes, text and iconic imagery in an "immersive aerial theatre."

These spectacular shows are made possible by advanced control software and communication links. A computer program first designs the desired images, then converts them into precise flight paths for each drone. Each drone reports its GPS location with centimetre accuracy, and receives low-latency commands via radio so that thousands of units can hold tight formations without collision. In effect, the sky becomes a canvas of dynamic "3D pixels." Unlike fireworks, which offer only a few repeated effects, drones can display an almost unlimited range of shapes, colours, and even animations. This means drone fleets can tell complex visual stories, synchronized with music or interactive input, which is far beyond what traditional pyrotechnics allow.

INDROTEK's Bravo Zulu Counter-Drone Solutions

INDROTEK's Bravo Zulu division (bravozulusecure.com) specializes in counter-drone defense. Its flagship DroneRanger system has earned top honours internationally in the past. In fact, in the MITRE Counter-UAS Challenge, DroneRanger won both "Best Detection and Determination" and "Best End-to-End Counter-UAV" awards, outperforming 41 global competitors. This reflects its leading capability to detect, track and neutralize hostile drones.

Bravo Zulu builds bespoke counter-UAS architectures integrating radar, RF sensors, cameras (EO/IR) and jamming. For example, its Skymarshall suites use AESA X-band radars plus RF detectors to spot threats over airfields, ports, borders or critical infrastructure. Portable systems include the DroneRifle series, which is a handheld jamming rifle (with built-in batteries) for patrol units and checkpoints ideal for border forces. It's a rifle paired with a backpack power module. In use, these tools allow civilian agencies and defense forces alike to protect airports, stadiums, prisons or urban centers against unauthorized drones. Bravo Zulu's approach is highly customized. It is combining its radars and jammers into a unified command-and-control picture tuned for local rules of engagement.

Market Trends and INDROTEK's Position

The drone industry is growing rapidly, with investment flowing into both drone fleets and anti-drone systems. Analysts project the global UAV market rising from about \$44–45 billion in 2025 to over \$209 billion by 2035. That implies annual growth on the order of ~16–17% ([more here](#)).

INDROTEK is directly positioned at the intersection of these trends. Through its InDro Robotics division, it develops flexible drone and autonomy platforms for industrial, commercial and dual-use applications. Through Bravo Zulu, it offers advanced counter-UAS systems tailored to today's security needs. INDROTEK's leadership and technologies from multi-unit-flying drones to the award-winning counter drone defense DroneRanger, aligns with key market drivers in national

defense and civilian tech. As an emerging leader in both drone enablement and drone defeat solutions, INDROTEK is positioned to capitalize on the expanding \$100+ billion drone ecosystem.

About INDROTEK

INDROTEK is a Vancouver-based group of robotics companies (including InDro Robotics, Bravo Zulu, and Stratocom) that designs, integrates and operates AI-powered air and ground systems for defence, critical infrastructure and commercial customers. The group develops cutting-edge autonomous systems for customers such as government agencies and critical infrastructure operators. INDROTEK's mission is to bridge commercial and defense technology needs while adhering to all regulatory and security requirements.

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