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SYSTRAN: GACHOT S.A. KEEPS SYSTRAN IN THE FAMILY

Gachot's control of the various parts of Systran grows ever tighter. Denis Gachot, son of Jean, the founder of the French industrial tap company which since 1983 has been investing in automatic translation, announced the other day that WTC and LATSEC, a company founded in the USA by Systran inventor Peter Toma, will henceforth be known as Systran Translation Company. Systran International will now operate as an autonomous MT wing of Gachot S.A., the company that recently bought out the rights to all Systran companies except the Japanese Iona group and General Motors holdings.

The two La Jolla-based companies, of which Denis Gachot is president, are now subsidiaries of Systran International, a newly-formed company regrouping the various Systran branches in an effort to standardize and integrate the versions of the different language pairs developed by independent outfits. Mr. Gachot further announced that a project to develop an English-Korean translation pair for Systran had been signed up for an un-named U.S. client.