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Subject: First results RoSafe Speed enforcement program in Romania

- 60% reduction of fatalities in 4 months

Today the IRSA – Association is proud to announce the first results of the speed enforcement project “RoSafe” in the municipalities Movilita, Cosereni, Ciocarlia, Andrasesti and Perieti.

After 4 months of speed enforcement with 3 fixed and 4 mobile cameras in the county Ialomita, Romania, we are proud to announce a 35% reduction of fatalities compared to the same period in 2007, while in all other counties in the same period an increase of crashes and fatalities were noticed. It means in practice that we avoided 9 human tragedies in this county.

1 million speed violations have been registered since June till 30 October with only 7 cameras.

The Secretary of State of the Ministry of Interior, the Head of the National Traffic police, the Chief of Traffic police in Ialomita, the 7 mayors and their substitutes were satisfied with the results and developments. The Secretary of State has officially announced the IRSA RoSafe camera project as the only legal and well functioning speed enforcement system in Romania.

The project proved to be sustainable and after the recent evaluation it has been decided to start the roll-out process to other counties and cities, although a number of issues need to be improved, e.g.:

1. the percentage of issuing tickets, (more staff to process the tickets and the use of ANPR to validate the recorded pictures)
2. the percentage of collection the fines
3. to reduce the time between recording, (correspondence with the license plate owner and thereafter the violator) and the payment of the ticket
4. the execution of non-paid tickets

It has also been decided to start immediately with a new pilot project in Bucharest; namely: enforcement of “blocking the junction” combined with detecting red light and speed violations. The pilot will start in December on one selected junction. After the evaluation on approximately 50 other selected junctions special enforcement equipment will be installed to record the three different violations.