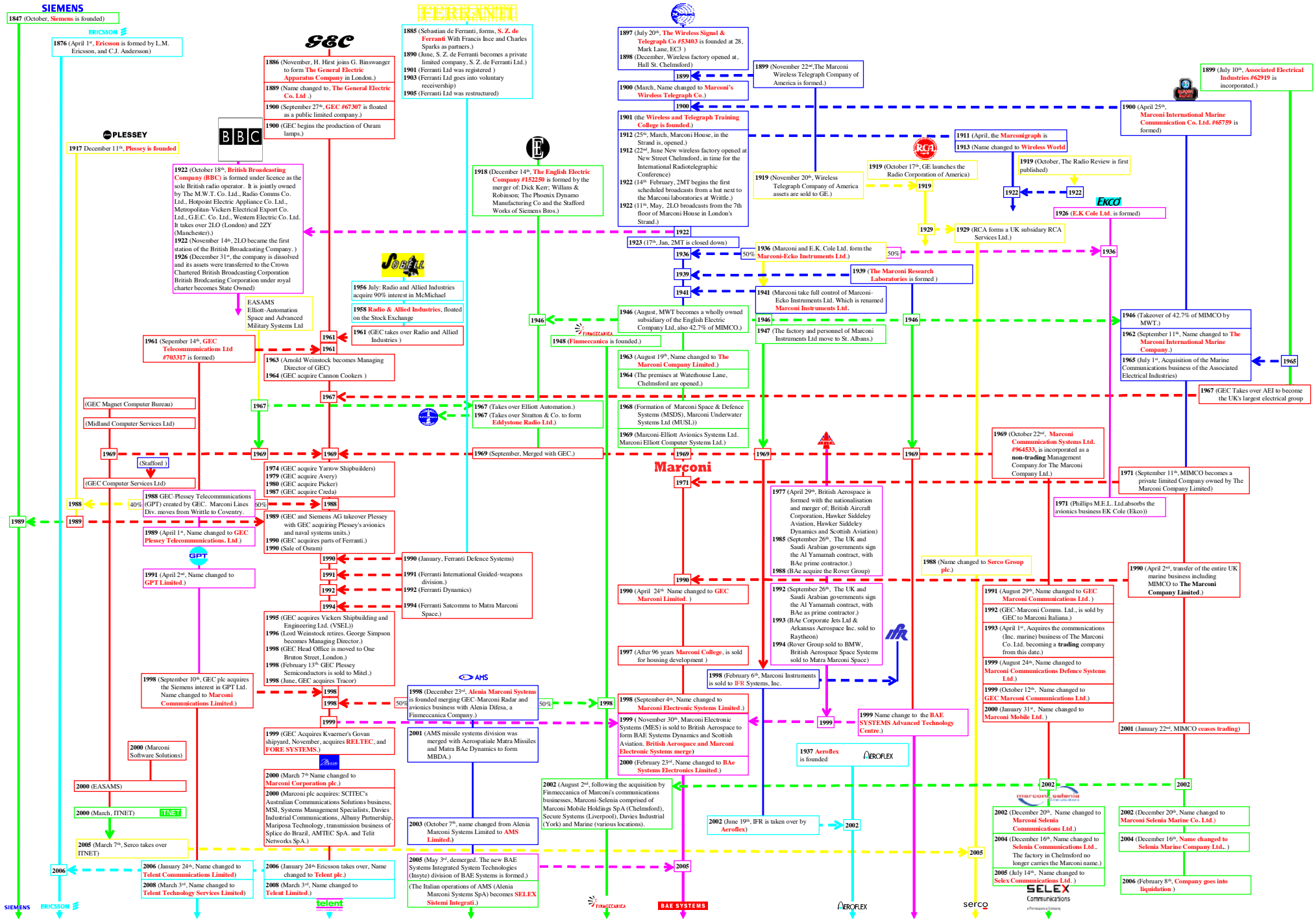
SIEMENS
1847 (October, Siemens is founded)
ERICSSON
1876 (April 1st, Ericsson is formed by L.M. Ericsson, and C.J. Andersson)
PLESSEY
1917 December 11th, Plessey is founded
GEC
1886 (November, H. Hirst joins G. Binswanger to form The General Electric Apparatus Company in London.)
1889 (Name changed to, The General Electric Co. Ltd .)
1900 (September 27th, GEC #67307 is floated as a public limited company.)
1900 (GEC begins the production of Osram lamps.)
BBC
1922 (October 18th, British Broadcasting Company (BBC) is formed under licence as the sole British radio operator. It is jointly owned by The M.W.T. Co. Ltd., Radio Comms Co. Ltd., Hotpoint Electric Appliance Co. Ltd., Metropolitan Vickers Electrical Export Co. Ltd., G.E.C. Co. Ltd., Westem Electric Co. Ltd. It takes over 2LO (London) and 2ZY (Manchester).)
1922 (November 14th, 2LO became the first station of the British Broadcasting Company.)
1926 (December 31st, the company is dissolved and its assets were transferred to the Crown Chartered British Broadcasting Corporation British Brodcasting Corporation under royal charter becomes State Owned)
EASAMS
Elliott-Automation Space and Advanced Military Systems Ltd
1961 (Sepember 14th, GEC Telecommunications Ltd #703317 is formed)
1963 (Arnold Weinstock becomes Managing Director of GEC)
1964 (GEC acquire Cannon Cookers)
(GEC Magnet Computer Bureau)
(Midland Computer Services Ltd)
(Stafford)
(GEC Computer Services Ltd)
1988 (GEC-Plessey Telecommunications (GPT) created by GEC. Marconi Lines Div. moves from Writtle to Coventry.)
40%
50%
1989 (April 1st, Name changed to GEC Plessey Telecommunications. Ltd.)
GPT
1991 (April 2nd, Name changed to GPT Limited.)
1998 (September 10th, GEC plc acquires the Siemens interest in GPT Ltd. Name changed to Marconi Communications Limited.)
2000 (Marconi Software Solutions)
2000 (EASAMS)
2000 (March, ITNET)
ITNET
2005 (March 7th, Serco takes over ITNET)
2006 (January 24th, Name changed to Telent Communications Limited)
2008 (March 3rd, Name changed to Telent Technology Services Limited)
telent
JOBELL
1956 July: Radio and Allied Industries acquire 90% interest in McMichael
1958 Radio & Allied Industries, floated on the Stock Exchange
1961 (GEC takes over Radio and Allied Industries)
1974 (GEC acquire Yarrow Shipbuilders)
1979 (GEC acquire Avery)
1980 (GEC acquire Picker)
1987 (GEC acquire Creda)
1989 (GEC and Siemens AG takeover Plessey with GEC acquiring Plessey's avionics and naval systems units.)
1990 (GEC acquires parts of Ferranti.)
1990 (Sale of Osram)
1995 (GEC acquires Vickers Shipbuilding and Engineering Ltd. (VSEL))
1996 (Lord Weinstock retires. George Simpson becomes Managing Director.)
1998 (GEC Head Office is moved to One Bruton Street, London.)
1998 (February 13th GEC Plessey Semiconductors is sold to Mitel.)
1998 (June, GEC acquires Tracor)
1999 (GEC Acquires Kvaerner's Govan shipyard, November, acquires RELTEC, and FORE SYSTEMS.)
2000 (March 7th Name changed to Marconi Corporation plc.)
2000 (Marconi plc acquires: SCITEC's Australian Communications Solutions business, MSI, Systems Management Specialists, Davies Industrial Communications, Albany Partnership, Mariposa Technology, transmission business of Splice do Brazil, AMTEC SpA. and Telit Networks SpA.)
2006 (January 24th, Ericsson takes over, Name changed to Telent plc.)
2008 (March 3rd, Name changed to Telent Limited.)
FERRANTI
1885 (Sebastian de Ferranti, forms, S. Z. de Ferranti With Francis Ince and Charles Sparks as partners.)
1890 (June, S. Z. de Ferranti becomes a private limited company, S. Z. de Ferranti Ltd.)
1901 (Ferranti Ltd was registered)
1903 (Ferranti Ltd goes into voluntary receivership)
1905 (Ferranti Ltd was restructured)
1918 (December 14th, The English Electric Company #152250 is formed by the merger of: Dick Kerr; Willans & Robinson; The Phoenix Dynamo Manufacturing Co and the Stafford Works of Siemens Bros.)
1946 (August, MWT becomes a wholly owned subsidiary of the English Electric Company Ltd, also 42.7% of MIMCO.)
FINMECCANICA
1948 (Finmeccanica is founded.)
1963 (August 19th, Name changed to The Marconi Company Limited.)
1964 (The premises at Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford are opened.)
1967 (Takes over Elliott Automation.)
1967 (Takes over Stratton & Co. to form Eddystone Radio Ltd.)
1968 (Formation of Marconi Space & Defence Systems (MSDS), Marconi Underwater Systems Ltd (MUSL))
1969 (Marconi-Elliott Avionics Systems Ltd. Marconi Elliott Computer Systems Ltd.)
1969 (September, Merged with GEC.)
1990 (January, Ferranti Defence Systems)
1991 (Ferranti International Guided-weapons division.)
1992 (Ferranti Dynamics)
1994 (Ferranti Satcomms to Matra Marconi Space.)
AMS
1998 (December 23rd, Alenia Marconi Systems is founded merging GEC-Marconi Radar and avionics business with Alenia Difesa, a Finmeccanica Company.)
2001 (AMS missile systems division was merged with Aerospatiale Matra Missiles and Matra BAe Dynamics to form MBDA.)
2003 (October 7th, name changed from Alenia Marconi Systems Limited to AMS Limited.)
2005 (May 3rd, demerged. The new BAE Systems Integrated System Technologies (Insyte) division of BAE Systems is formed.)
(The Italian operations of AMS (Alenia Marconi Systems SpA) becomes SELEX Sistemi Integrati.)
Marconi
1897 (July 20th, The Wireless Signal & Telegraph Co #53403 is founded at 28, Mark Lane, EC3)
1898 (December, Wireless factory opened at, Hall St. Chelmsford)
1899 (November 22nd,The Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America is formed.)
1900 (March, Name changed to Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co.)
1901 (the Wireless and Telegraph Training College is founded.)
1912 (25th, March, Marconi House, in the Strand is, opened.)
1912 (22nd, June New wireless factory opened at New Street Chelmsford, in time for the International Radiotelegraphic Conference)
1922 (14th February, 2MT begins the first scheduled broadcasts from a hut next to the Marconi laboratories at Writtle.)
1922 (11th, May, 2LO broadcasts from the 7th floor of Marconi House in London's Strand.)
1923 (17th, Jan, 2MT is closed down)
1936 (Marconi and E.K. Cole Ltd. form the Marconi-Ecko Instruments Ltd.)
1939 (The Marconi Research Laboratories is formed)
1941 (Marconi take full control of Marconi-Ecko Instruments Ltd. Which is renamed Marconi Instruments Ltd.
1947 (The factory and personnel of Marconi Instruments Ltd move to St. Albans.)
1971 (April 29th, British Aerospace is formed with the nationalisation and merger of; British Aircraft Corporation, Hawker Siddeley Aviation, Hawker Siddeley Dynamics and Scottish Aviation)
1985 (September 26th, The UK and Saudi Arabian governments sign the Al Yamamah contract, with BAe prime contractor.)
1988 (BAe acquire the Rover Group)
1990 (April 24th Name changed to GEC Marconi Limited.)
1992 (September 26th, The UK and Saudi Arabian governments sign the Al Yamamah contract, with BAe as prime contractor.)
1993 (BAe Corporate Jets Ltd & Arkansas Aerospace Inc. sold to Raytheon)
1994 (Rover Group sold to BMW, British Aerospace Space Systems sold to Matra Marconi Space)
1997 (After 96 years Marconi College, is sold for housing development)
1998 (February 6th, Marconi Instruments is sold to IFR Systems, Inc.
1998 (September 4th, Name changed to Marconi Electronic Systems Limited.)
1999 (November 30th, Marconi Electronic Systems (MESS) is sold to British Aerospace to form BAE Systems Dynamics and Scottish Aviation. British Aerospace and Marconi Electronic Systems merge)
2000 (February 23rd, Name changed to BAe Systems Electronics Limited.)
2002 (August 2nd, following the acquisition by Finmeccanica of Marconi's communications businesses, Marconi-Selenia comprised of Marconi Mobile Holdings SpA (Chelmsford), Secure Systems (Liverpool), Davies Industrial (York) and Marine (various locations).
2002 (June 19th, IFR is taken over by Aeroflex)
1937 Aeroflex is founded
AEROFLEX
1899 (July 10th, Associated Electrical Industries #62919 is incorporated.)
1900 (April 25th, Marconi International Marine Communication Co. Ltd. #65759 is formed)
1911 (April, the Marconigraph is
1913 (Name changed to Wireless World)
1919 (October, The Radio Review is first published)
1919 (November 20th, Wireless Telegraph Company of America assets are sold to GE.)
1919 (October 17th, GE launches the Radio Corporation of America)
RCA
1929 (RCA forms a UK subsidary RCA Services Ltd.)
EKCO
1926 (E.K Cole Ltd. is formed)
1946 (Takeover of 42.7% of MIMCO by MWT.)
1962 (September 11th, Name changed to The Marconi International Marine Company.)
1965 (July 1st, Acquisition of the Marine Communications business of the Associated Electrical Industries)
1967 (GEC Takes over AEI to become the UK's largest electrical group
1969 (October 22nd, Marconi Communication Systems Ltd. #964533, is incorporated as a non-trading Management Company.for The Marconi Company Ltd.)
1971 (September 11th, MIMCO becomes a private limited Company owned by The Marconi Company Limited)
1971 (Phillips M.E.L. Ltd.absorbs the avionics business EK Cole (Ekco))
1988 (Name changed to Serco Group plc.)
1990 (April 2nd, transfer of the entire UK marine business including MIMCO to The Marconi Company Limited.)
1991 (August 29th, Name changed to GEC Marconi Communications Ltd.)
1992 (GEC-Marconi Comms. Ltd., is sold by GEC to Marconi Italiana.)
1993 (April 1st, Acquires the communications (Inc. marine) business of The Marconi Co. Ltd. becoming a trading company from this date.)
1999 (August 24th, Name changed to Marconi Communications Defence Systems Ltd.)
1999 (October 12th, Name changed to GEC Marconi Communications Ltd.)
2000 (January 31st, Name changed to Marconi Mobile Ltd.)
1999 Name change to the BAE SYSTEMS Advanced Technology Centre.)
2001 (January 22nd, MIMCO ceases trading)
2002 (December 20th, Name changed to Marconi Selenia Communications Ltd.)
2004 (December 16th, Name changed to Selenia Communications Ltd.. The factory in Chelmsford no longer carries the Marconi name.)
2005 (July 14th, Name changed to Selex Communications Ltd.)
SELEX Communications
2002 (December 20th, Name changed to Marconi Selenia Marine Co. Ltd.)
2004 (December 16th, Name changed to Selenia Communications Ltd.)
2006 (February 8th, Company goes into liquidation)
SIEMENS
ERICSSON
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BAE SYSTEMS
AEROFLEX
serco