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UPDATE ON PATENT INFRINGEMENT LITIGATION ACTIVITY

**LMA REPORTS ON AMBU'S DECISION TO APPEAL COURT
JUDGMENT**

Mainboard-listed LMA International NV ("LMA"), a global leader in the development and marketing of the LMA™ range of supraglottic airway management devices, reports that Ambu (Deutschland) GmbH ("Ambu") has filed an appeal against the judgment issued by the Regional Court of Dusseldorf. In this judgment, the court had found that Ambu's laryngeal mask infringed LMA's patent and ruled in favour of its wholly-owned subsidiary LMA Deutschland GmbH.

The appeal will be heard before the Appeal Court in Dusseldorf in approximately 12 to 15 months. Notwithstanding Ambu's appeal, the judgment remains in force and Ambu is prohibited from marketing, selling and using the Ambu™ laryngeal masks that are the subject of the court judgment. Any infringements of this judgment carry significant penalties and LMA will closely monitor compliance.

Ambu was further held to be liable to LMA for all damages resulting from the patent infringement. LMA will soon evaluate these damages and then claim compensation from Ambu.

John Lim, Group President of LMA, said, "We remain confident of the merits of our case. The Regional Court has delivered a very strong judgment in our favour and accepted all our arguments regarding infringement and validity. We therefore believe that the judgment previously issued will be upheld. We will not hesitate to take further measures against Ambu if necessary."

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NOTES:**LMA International NV**

Incorporated in the Netherlands Antilles in 1998, LMA was listed on the Singapore Exchange in March 2005. LMA designs, develops, markets and distributes medical equipment, principally the LMA™ range of supraglottic airway management devices. These devices are used by physicians to allow respiration, provide ventilation to, and support the airway of patients undergoing surgical procedures and life-saving interventions. Since its first product, the LMA-Classic™, was approved by the FDA for use in the United States in 1991, LMA's growth has been driven by the development of innovative products, geographic expansion, and increased customer awareness of the LMA™ airway as an alternative airway management device. LMA has established a leading position in this growing market.

LMA has an office in Jersey, Channel Islands, and subsidiaries in Singapore, Germany and San Diego, California. Through its 50 percent joint venture in LMA Urology Limited, the Group has a subsidiary in Switzerland to design, manufacture and distribute the LMA StoneBreaker™. DBS Bank and Credit Suisse were the Joint Global Coordinators and Joint Bookrunners for the Initial Public Offering of shares in LMA.

LMA™ Airways

For over 20 years, The Laryngeal Mask Company Limited has been making advances in airway design and technology which have impacted directly on patient safety and comfort. British anaesthetist Dr Archie Brain designed the first LMA™ airway in 1988. Since then, LMA™ airways have been used over 200 million times around the world and are supported by over 2,500 published references. The LMA™ airway has become the most well-known and respected supraglottic airway device worldwide, with a full range of products designed for specialist clinical needs including routine anaesthesia, PPV, ENT surgery, the difficult airway and emergency situations.

LMA Patent Portfolio

LMA has an extensive patent portfolio that protects the key products in the LMA™ range, as well as new products currently under development. The Company's portfolio comprises an estimated 315 granted and pending patents worldwide, the majority of which have a significant unexpired term. Of the Company's granted patents, the earliest expiry date is 2008, and the latest is around 2025.