



LMA International NV

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LMA APPOINTS NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Singapore, 17 October 2008 – Mainboard-listed LMA International NV (“LMA” or the “Group”), the global leader in the development and marketing of the LMA™ laryngeal mask airway range of supraglottic airway management devices, is pleased to announce that Mr Lawrence Kinet has joined as its Chief Executive Officer and member of the board with effect from today.

Mr Kinet has more than 30 years of international experience in health care technology and services, with a solid track record of building businesses through profitable sales growth and raising venture and public equity capital. He has held leadership positions with companies ranging from start-ups to large public companies. Most recently, Mr Kinet was the President and Chief Executive Officer of CellCoTec Ltd, a Netherlands-based company involved in the development of single surgery cell-based therapy for cartilage repair.

His previous appointments include President of Smiths Medical, a major supplier of single-use medical devices for critical and intensive care procedures with worldwide sales of approximately US\$1.3 billion, a Group Managing Director of Smiths Group PLC, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Aksys Ltd., a publicly held medical device company involved in automated home dialysis for kidney patients, and Oculon Corp, a specialist in cataract inhibition. He has also held senior posts at Baxter International Inc, including Corporate Vice President and President, World Trade Group, encompassing all of Baxter’s operations outside the United States, with operating and strategic responsibility for 12,000 employees and US\$1.5 billion in sales.

Based in Jersey, Channel Islands, Mr Kinet will be responsible for driving the growth of LMA’s business globally and increasing profitability of the Group, as well as building long term shareholder value.

Commenting on Mr Kinet’s appointment, LMA Executive Deputy Chairman Mr John Lim, said, “We are delighted that Lawrence, a veteran of the medical devices industry, has agreed to join LMA. His successful track record and solid business experience will provide LMA with the necessary leadership to drive it forward and deliver sustainable value to shareholders.”

A United States citizen, Mr Kinet obtained his bachelor of science degree at the University of Birmingham in the United Kingdom, and his master’s degree in business administration at the University of Chicago.

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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™ laryngeal mask airway 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™ laryngeal mask 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. DBS Bank Limited and Credit Suisse were the Joint Global Coordinators and Joint Bookrunners for the Initial Public Offering of shares in LMA.