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RESULTS OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

Zug, 8 May 2003

At the Annual General Meeting of the Company held earlier today, all resolutions set out in the notice of the Annual General Meeting dated 1 April 2003 were duly passed.

At the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held immediately following the Annual General Meeting, all resolutions set out in the notice of Extraordinary General Meeting dated 7 April 2003 were duly passed.

Provisional Allotment Letters in respect of entitlements to Stock Units pursuant to the Rights Issue will be posted to Qualifying non-CREST Shareholders (other than certain overseas holders) today. In addition, Nil Paid Rights to Stock Units will be credited to the stock accounts of Qualifying CREST Shareholders (other than certain overseas holders) as soon as practicable after 0800 on 9 May 2003.

It is expected that dealings in the Stock Units (nil paid and fully paid) of the Company will commence on the main market for listed securities of the London Stock Exchange and on the SWX Swiss Exchange at 0800 British Summer Time (0900 Central European Time) on 9 May 2003.

Further details relating to the Rights Issue and the acquisition of MIM Holdings Ltd are set out in the Prospectus dated 7 April 2003 (as amended by the Supplementary Prospectus dated 17 April 2001). Copies of these documents are available for inspection at the UK Listing Authority's Document Viewing Facility, situated at:

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FURTHER INFORMATION:

Annual General Meeting

Proxies received:

Resolution 1		Resolution 10	
Proxies For*:	152,489,110	Proxies For*:	139,394,104
Proxies Against:	751,021	Proxies Against:	11,824,276
Resolution 2		Resolution 11	
Proxies For*:	153,239,531	Proxies For*:	141,472,701
Proxies Against:	600	Proxies Against:	11,764,830
Resolution 3		Resolution 12	
Proxies For*:	129,358,376	Proxies For*:	142,675,001
Proxies Against:	18,800,889	Proxies Against:	10,562,530
Resolution 4		Resolution 13	
Proxies For*:	134,514,168	Proxies For*:	140,512,567
Proxies Against:	13,209,519	Proxies Against:	12,724,964
Resolution 5		Resolution 14	
Proxies For*:	134,514,168	Proxies For*:	139,441,954
Proxies Against:	13,209,519	Proxies Against:	11,814,582
Resolution 6		Resolution 15	
Proxies For*:	140,684,006	Proxies For*:	142,106,245
Proxies Against:	11,386,482	Proxies Against:	10,740,586
Resolution 7		Resolution 16	
Proxies For*:	129,702,675	Proxies For*:	149,781,070
Proxies Against:	16,078,205	Proxies Against:	1,514,910
Resolution 8		Resolution 17	
Proxies For*:	139,394,104	Proxies For*:	153,215,060
Proxies Against:	11,824,276	Proxies Against:	11,627
Resolution 9		Votes Cast:	
Proxies For*:	139,313,267	Resolution 18	
Proxies Against:	13,924,264	Votes For:	154,785,325
		Votes Against:	11,090

Extraordinary General Meeting

Resolution 1	
Proxies For*:	162,414,319
Proxies Against:	38,553

Resolution 2	
Proxies For*:	162,404,442
Proxies Against:	48,430

Resolution 3	
Proxies For*:	156,593,642
Proxies Against:	38,653

Votes Cast:

Resolution 4	
Votes For:	164,852,383
Votes Against:	44,553

* (including discretionary)