

Statement re suspension

10 November 10, 2004

At the request of Esprit Holdings Limited (the "Company"), The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited has suspended trading in the Company's shares with effect from 01:30 a.m. (London time) today (November 10, 2004) pending the release of an announcement in respect of a placing of existing shares in the Company by its controlling shareholder. A further announcement will be made in due course.