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I4F files major infringement lawsuit in the United States against Wellmade Performance Flooring and Costco on Golden Arowana® branded products

I4F 在美国就 GoldenArowana® 品牌地板针对 Wellmade Performance Flooring 和 Costco 提起重大侵权诉讼

- *I4F claims Wellmade's Golden Arowana® HDPC® Rigid Core Waterproof Planks using Unilin's Unipush system infringe one of its Patents, US Patent No. 10,053,868*
- *I4F 认为 Wellmade 使用 Unilin 的 Unipush 系统的 GoldenArowana® HDPC® 硬质防水地板侵犯了其美国专利 10,053,868*

WILLEMSTAD, CURAÇAO – I4F, a group of companies providing patents and technologies to the flooring industry, today announced that it has filed a patent infringement lawsuit against Wellmade Floor Coverings International, Inc., d/b/a Wellmade Performance Flooring, and US retailer Costco for the manufacturing, using, importing and selling of HDPC® Rigid Core Waterproof Planks using Unilin's Unipush locking system in the United States. I4F filed the case before the US District Court for the District of Oregon.

WILLEMSTAD, CURAÇAO – I4F, 一家专注地板行业专利和技术解决方案的集团公司，今天宣布其已经对 Wellmade Floor Coverings International, Inc., 又称 Wellmade Performance Flooring, 和美国零售商 Costco 提起专利侵权诉讼，诉其在美国生产，使用，进口和销售应用 Unilin 的 Unipush 锁扣系统的 HDPC® 硬质防水地板侵权。I4F 在美国俄勒冈州地区法院提起的上述诉讼。

I4F's alleges that the Wellmade collection of Golden Arowana® HDPC® Rigid Core products, using the Unipush locking system, infringe one of its patents in the United States, US Patent No. 10,053,868.

I4F 指控 Wellmade 的 Golden Arowana® 系列的使用 Unipush 锁扣系统的 HDPC® 硬质地板产品侵犯了其美国专利 10,053,868。

I4F provides licensees with IP expertise, meaningful patents and cutting-edge technologies as well as access to some of the global flooring industry's best innovations, including 3L TripleLock and Click4U. Patents for I4F's technologies have been granted and filed in over 100 countries worldwide. Its patent strategy is designed to provide its licensees with

flexibility as well as a strong and broad scope of patent protection in relation to its 3L TripleLock and its other technologies. I4F represents over 2,000 patents divided over clusters covering locking, surface finishing, board and wall panels, materials and panel composition as well as manufacturing processes.

I4F 为其专利用户提供 IP 专业知识，意义非凡的专利和尖端技术，以及获得全球地板行业最佳创新的途径，包括 3L TripleLock 和 Click4U 锁扣系统。I4F 的专利技术已经在全球 100 多个国家获得专利授权和备案。其专利战略旨在为其专利用户提供就其 3L TripleLock 和其他技术的灵活，强大，广泛的专利保护。I4F 拥有超过 2,000 项专利，专利集群涉及锁扣系统，表面处理，墙板安装，材料和板材组成以及生产工艺。

The company said it would continue to undertake the appropriate legal action against all infringements and do everything in its power to safeguard its patents, technologies and licensees around the world.

I4F 表示，公司将继续对所有侵权行为采取必要的法律行动，并竭尽所能在全球范围内保护其专利，技术和专利用户。

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About I4F:

I4F is an innovations group focused on the development of patents and technologies for the flooring industry. Its portfolio includes IP for flooring installation and wall mounting systems, material compositions, surface treatment as well as laminate and board production technologies. I4F has strategic partnerships with the industry's most important IP players, including Classen, Kronospan, UWC and Kowon. The company's flagship technologies, 3L TripleLock and Click4U, provide a unique one piece drop-lock installation technique for flooring panels that eliminates the need for an additional insert on the short side. The solution is suitable for laminate, luxury vinyl tiles, wood plastic composite, rigid core flooring, multi-layer flooring and wooden flooring panels. International patents and patent applications for I4F's technologies have been granted and filed in over 100 countries worldwide.

关于 I4F:

I4F 是一家致力于地板行业专利和技术研发的高新技术集团，其专利组合包括地板安装和墙板安装，材料配比，表面处理，强化地板以及板材生产技术的知识产权。I4F 与行业内顶级的知识产权领导者 Classen, Kronospan, UWC 及 Kowon 建有战略合作关系。公司的旗舰技术 3L 锁扣技术和 Click4U 锁扣技术为地板安装提供了独一无二的整体式直落锁扣安装系统，短边安装不再需要额外的塑料插条。该技术适用于强化地板、LVT、WPC、SPC、多层实木地板和实木地板，I4F 已经在全球 100 多个国家为其相关技术申请了专利保护。

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