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I4F augments licensee protection with new labelling system and start of audit program

I4F 实行全新标签系统和合规性审计以加强对专利用户的保护

- *Roll-out of new holographic labels starting Q2-2019*
- *从 2019 年第二季度开始实行全新全息防伪标签系统*
- *License compliance audits to begin with immediate effect*
- *专利用户合规性审计马上开始*
- *Two license agreements to terminate due to material breaches of contract*
- *因专利用户重大违约而终止两份许可协议*

WILLEMSTAD, CURAÇAO– I4F, a group of companies providing patents and technologies to the flooring industry, today announced that it is introducing new measures designed to further protect its complying licensees. The company also said it has provided notice to terminate license agreements with two manufacturers - Jiangsu Simo New Materials Co. Ltd. and Weifang Green Residence Floor Material Co. Ltd. - following material breaches of contracts, despite several unanswered notifications to comply. These include a failure to submit volume reports for products using I4F's patented technologies as well as the non-payment of contractual fees.

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，今天宣布将进一步实施保护合规专利用户的新举措。公司向其专利用户 Jiangsu Simo New Materials Co. Ltd.和 Weifang Green Residence Floor Material Co. Ltd. 发出了许可终止通知。屡次不答复且不遵守正式通知，这两个专利用户俱有重大违约行为，又在屡次提醒后没有改善。他们不但不按时递交产品销量报告，还不按合同规定支付费用。

As from the second quarter of 2019, I4F will roll-out its new holographic labelling system to all I4F licensees as well as initiate a license compliance audit program. These new measures are designed to extend the scope of protection for all complying I4F licensees.

从2019年第二季度开始，I4F 将向其所有专利用户正式推出全新全息防伪标签系统，并启动专利用户合规性审计。这些新举措旨在加强对I4F的所有合规专利用户的保护。

John Rietveldt, I4F's CEO, comments, "Mutually respecting all contractual obligations is essential and normal business practice for all professional parties involved in a license agreement. As a patents and technologies company, we make it our business to ensure that all our complying licensees are fully protected from those taking part in non-compliant activities by attempting to use licensed technologies for free. These new measures aim to ensure that the lay of the land is fair and equal for all I4F licensees."

I4F 的首席执行官 John Rietveldt 说：“对于许可协议中所有具有职业素养的各方而言，互相遵守合同规定的所有条款是非常重要的商业惯例。作为一家专利和技术公司，我们要确保所有遵守规定的专利用户都被充分保护，不受到试图违规免费使用 I4F 专利技术行为的侵害。这些新措施的目的是确保所有 I4F 专利用户享受的权利和履行的义务是公平和平等的。”

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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, extended polymer core, solid polymer core and wooden flooring panels. International patents and patent applications for I4F's technologies have been granted and filed in over 100 countries worldwide.

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 TripleLock 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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