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COPYRIGHT CLASS ACTION AGAINST YOUTUBE/GOOGLE GAINS ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF EUROPEAN PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUES

The Association of European Professional Football Leagues (“EPFL”) announced today that it strongly supports The Football Association Premier League Limited (“Premier League”) and Bourne Co. (“Bourne”) on their the copyright class action against YouTube and Google. The EPFL, representing the interests of 19 Member and Associate Member Leagues across Europe and more than 500 affiliated clubs, in countries such as Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Republic of Ireland, England, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, the Netherlands, Italy, Portugal, Norway, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden and Scotland, has joined other recent supporters, including Cherry Lane Music Publishing Co, one of the world’s leading independent music publishers -- responsible for catalogues of world famous artists such as Elvis Presley, Quincy Jones, The Black Eyed Peas, John Legend, and more than 65,000 other copyrights -- the national French Tennis Federation (Federation Française de Tennis), and the French Professional Football League (Ligue de Football Professionnel). The EPFL is encouraging all its members to actively join the suit, demanding YouTube/Google to immediately cease their massive and rampant infringement of the copyrighted works of the European football leagues. The EPFL is concerned that YouTube has launched localized sites across the world including in France, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Spain and the UK, and is inviting its members, who arrange collectively football games viewed annually by billions of people in approximately 204 countries around the world, to take action with the intention of protecting its legitimate rights.

The class action complaint, filed in federal court in New York City on May 4, 2007, asserts claims on behalf of all copyright owners who have had their material copied and exploited on the YouTube website without authorization. The lawsuit asks a federal judge for a court order to stop YouTube’s unauthorized and uncompensated use of the creative works of Class members, force YouTube to adopt existing technology to prevent unauthorized content from being exploited, and for damages for past infringement.

The lawsuit, *The Football Association Premier League Limited, et al. v. YouTube, Inc., et al.*, 07 Civ. 3582 (LLS), is pending before the Honorable Louis L. Stanton in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. The Premier League, which is the UK’s top tier soccer league, and Bourne, an independent music publisher founded in 1919, are represented in this matter by Proskauer Rose LLP and Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP. Inquiries can be directed either to Louis M. Solomon at Proskauer Rose at 212-969-3200 or Sean Coffey at Bernstein Litowitz at 212-554-1409. Further information about the suit can also be found by calling a toll free number (1-866-725-0516) or online at www.youtubeclaimaction.com.

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