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DECT Forum Statement on DECT Wireless Technology

Berne, Switzerland, January 13, 2009. The DECT Forum, the worldwide association of the home communication industry, has taken note of reports about possible security issues of DECT wireless telephony systems. The DECT Forum assures that it takes such reports seriously and will consider these investigations.

“The DECT Forum welcomes open discussions about how the implementations of the DECT standard can be improved”, says Erich Kamperschroer, Chairman of the DECT Forum. “Therefore we are looking forward to collaboration with researchers in order to discuss their research results and find measures how to further improve a reliable and mature technology that is used worldwide every day by millions of users.”

The DECT Forum also states that it is a criminal act to eavesdrop telephone conversations. It is impossible to accidentally eavesdrop on telephone conversations and therefore the risk for users is very low. Only those with a clear criminal energy and intent and a sophisticated knowledge would be capable of eavesdropping.

With the introduction of CAT-iq (Cordless Advanced Technology), the successor of DECT, the DECT Forum has demanded highest possible security protection measures as mandatory, which will be implemented into a globally applicable standard.

Further information about the DECT and CAT-iq wireless communication technology can be found on the DECT Forum websites: www.dect.org and www.cat-iq.org

About DECT Forum:

The DECT Forum is the international industry association of the home communication industry. With more than 670 million devices sold and growing to more than 100 million devices per year, DECT, DECT 6.0 and CAT-iq are worldwide-adopted technologies with high relevance for cordless voice and broadband home communication. The DECT Forum is located in Berne, Switzerland. Full members of the DECT Forum are currently: Ascom, AVM, CCT, DSP Group, Gigaset Communications, GN Netcom, Infineon, Kirk, Panasonic, Philips, Plantronics, RTX, Sagem, SiTel, SGW Electronics, Swissvoice, Telematrix, Thomson, Uniden, and VTech. For more information please visit us at: www.dect.org www.cat-iq.org

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