

Press Release

Sperian Protection

Paris, May 5th, 2010

Following the intent expressed on March 31, 2010 by the investment fund Cinven to file a contemplated voluntary public tender offer, via its subsidiary Menelas, on Sperian Protection's shares and notwithstanding the expiry of the exclusivity period on April 30 granted to Cinven, the Group continues its work towards the filing of this offer.

Sperian Protection's Board of Directors will meet soon. The fairness opinion from the independent expert is near completion. The necessary agreement of the Sperian Protection's financing banks is close to being obtained.

About Sperian Protection

Sperian Protection is the reference leader in personal protective equipment (hearing, eye, respiratory and fall protection, gloves, clothing and footwear) resolutely geared towards international markets. The Group offers innovative products adapted to high-risk environments so that workers in the manufacturing and services industries can work with confidence.

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