



## **Press Release**

## Honeywell receives European commission approval to acquire Sperian Protection

## Paris, 5 August 2010,

Sperian Protection, reference leader in personal protective equipment (PPE), today announces that Honeywell has received approval from the European Commission for its pending all cash tender offer to acquire the shares of Sperian Protection for €117 (dividend attached) per Sperian Protection share, which opened on July 12, 2010.

The completion of the offer only remains subject to the successful tender by Sperian's shareholders of shares representing no less than 57% of the fully diluted number of shares (including the stakes of shareholders Essilor and Mrs. Ginette Dalloz which shares are expected to be acquired by Honeywell on August 9, 2010 in accordance with the previously announced Share Purchase Agreement).

Sperian Protection expects the public offer to close on September 2, 2010, with settlement for tendered shares to be made on September 15, 2010.

The tender offer prospectus (note d'information) cleared by the AMF is available for consultation on the website of the AMF (www.amf-france.org) and of Sperian Protection (www.sperian.com).

## **About Sperian Protection**

Sperian Protection, reference leader in personal protective equipment (hearing, eye, respiratory and fall protection, gloves, clothing and footwear) is 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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