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Apple Computers to Sell I.R.I.S. OCR Products – Readiris Pro 7, IRISPen II, IRIS Business Card Reader II - in American and European Retail Stores and e-Shops

Brussels, 13th February, 2003 – I.R.I.S. Group, a publicly traded company (Euronext Brussels: IRI), market leader in Automatic Document Recognition (ADR), Electronic Document Management (EDM), Archiving and Storage and Optical Character Recognition (OCR) announced today that Apple Computer, Inc. is selling its OCR products for Mac OS in Apple's retail stores in the USA and in Apple's European and American e-shops.

I.R.I.S. has devoted itself to developing a first-class and complete range of OCR products for Mac OS. Today I.R.I.S.' high technology to transform papers in electronic documents is recognized by Apple who referenced the entire I.R.I.S. OCR range either in its American physical stores or in its electronic shops.

In the United States, Apple owns 53 retail stores around the country. Being referenced in those shops gives I.R.I.S. a great visibility in the American Mac users market. Apple also has 13 e-shops covering European countries allowing I.R.I.S. to reach thousands of Mac users all over Europe through the maker of the Mac OS platform, THE key influencer in the Mac channels.

"We are delighted to start this business relationship with Apple Computers and proud to have such a prestigious international partner. This partnership is a real recognition of I.R.I.S. Mac OS X products' quality. It will help IRIS to generate awareness of its range of products and to penetrate the Mac OS

X American and European markets," comments Pierre De Muelenaere, CEO and President of I.R.I.S. Group.

I.R.I.S. Mac OS X OCR products marketed by Apple:

IRISPEN II Executive

The IRISPen II is the first USB pen scanner to be used like a highlighter to allow capture of text and figures in any Windows or Mac application at the stroke of a hand. The pen scanner is available in the Standard version (reads text and figures) and the Executive version (reads text, figures, hand printed numbers, barcodes and includes a text-to-speech module). The Pen's text-to-speech module allows natural and clear auditive feedback of the recognized text. IRISPen also helps users organize information, offers multi-line reading mode, and is 30 times faster than manual retyping.

IRISPen II Executive is commercialized through Apple European online shop

IRIS Business Card Reader II

IBCR II is optimized for scanning business cards and converting them into database records using I.R.I.S.' OCR technology. The scanner takes up very little desk space and copes with varying paper and printing qualities. As the business card is inserted in the scanner, the scanning process begins automatically. Once the business card is recognized, exported and indexed in the database, its information is easily accessed thanks to the search, sort and select functions. Contacts can be saved in a structured file and exported to any address database (i.e. Mac OS X Address Book) or sent directly to contact management software (i.e. Microsoft Entourage, AppleWorks 6, Now Contact, etc.).

IRIS Business Card Reader is commercialized through Apple European and American online shop and U.S. Apple stores

Readiris Pro 7

Readiris Pro is an easy to use text recognition software, which converts paper documents (captured with scanners, all-in-one devices or digital cameras), image files and fax files into editable text. It saves the end user from time-consuming manual retyping and allows him/her to optimize productivity. The recognized document can be sent directly to the user's favorite application or can be saved into a variety of file formats. The original layout of the document will be accurately reproduced, including images and graphics; tables will be automatically recognized and coded as table objects.

Readiris Pro 7 is commercialized through Apple American online shop and U.S. Apple stores

About Apple

Apple ignited the personal computer revolution in the 1970s with the Apple II and reinvented the personal computer in the 1980s with the Macintosh. Apple is committed to bringing the best personal computing experience to students, educators, creative professionals and consumers around the world through its innovative hardware, software and Internet offerings.

For more information: www.apple.com

To get the list of Apple stores: <http://www.apple.com/retail/>

To visit Apple's online stores:

<http://store.apple.com/1-800-MY-APPLE/WebObjects/AppleStore/>

About I.R.I.S.

Image Recognition Integrated Systems (I.R.I.S.), a Belgian company founded in 1987 and listed on Euronext Brussels (IRI), is a leader on the Optical Character Recognition (OCR) market, the Automatic Document Reading (ADR) and the Electronic Document Management markets.

The I.R.I.S.' activities are organized in two major areas:

"Office Products & Technologies"

I.R.I.S. develops and markets worldwide a complete range of OCR applications for home and office users.

Its well-known products are:

- **IRISPen II:** a pen scanner that allows text and figures capture in any application at the stroke of a hand. The pen scanner is available in the Standard version (reads text and figures) and Executive version (reads text, figures, hand printed numbers, barcodes and includes a text-to-speech module).
- **Readiris Pro:** an OCR package for flatbed scanners, "all-in-one" devices and digital cameras. Readiris Pro recognizes colour documents in up to 93 different languages, sends the recognition results directly to Word or Excel, saves the OCR results in the best known formats including HTML, and supports PDF format. To date, more than 8 million copies have been sold. Readiris Pro has been selected by Hewlett-Packard, Agfa and Compaq, Panasonic, etc.
- **IRIS Business Card Reader and Cardiris:** a complete hardware and software solution to scan, index and recognize business cards. Your contacts are easily exported to your PDA's or contact database with a single click export to Outlook or the export options of Cardiris.

"Professional Systems"

I.R.I.S. also offers solutions for the professional user to de-materialize paper documents, share and distribute the documents over the Intranet/Extranet/Internet and archive and store the electronic documents.

The main solutions are:

- **Automatic Document Reading (ADR) and Intelligent Document Recognition (IDR):** document capture of forms (ADR) and non-structured documents (IDR) in paper or electronic formats.
- **Electronic Document Management (EDM):** organizing, indexing, querying and sharing of electronic documents.
- **Knowledge Management:** high-level consulting services to organize, preserve and optimally use the collective knowledge present in a company.

- **The implementation of Enterprise Information Portals:** development and implementation of integrated portals based on I.R.I.S. DocShare for professional associations and large-scale companies.
- **Archiving and Data storage:** design, architecture and installation of storage, archiving and electronic data security solutions.

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In 2001, I.R.I.S. Group had sales of € 35.340.034. I.R.I.S. has more than 240 employees based in Louvain-la-Neuve and Brussels (Belgium), Massy and Rueil-Malmaison (France), Luxembourg, Boca Raton and Atlanta (USA).

For more information on our company, our solutions or our products, visit the I.R.I.S. website at <http://www.irislink.com>.

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