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Micronic Receives Order and Delivers an Omega6600 and Confirms Financial Outlook

Täby, Sweden – December 18, 2001– Micronic Laser Systems AB (OM Stockholm Exchange: MICR), a leading manufacturer of laser pattern generation equipment to semiconductor and display industries, today announced a sale of an Omega6600 laser pattern generator to a major commercial photomask manufacturer in Asia. Delivery will take place this year.

Micronic is confirming the financial outlook previously presented, including sales exceeding last year's of MSEK 704 and a positive net result for the full year.

The Omega6600 is a volume production tool capable of writing photomasks for semiconductors with 130 nm design rules. Working with high-end i-line resists, the tool includes functions such as dual mode, flexible grid, phase shift mask alignment, and CD correction.

"This third Omega6600 order confirms its acceptance as the leading i-line laser pattern generator for the most advanced photomasks on the market," said Sven Löfquist, president and CEO of Micronic Laser Systems AB. "It is also very satisfying to announce that we will reach the outlook for the year with the delivery of this Omega6600 system."

About Micronic Laser Systems AB

Micronic Laser Systems AB is a Swedish high-tech company engaged in the development, manufacture and marketing of a series of extremely accurate laser pattern generators for the production of photomasks. The technology involved is known as microlithography. Micronic's systems are used by the world's leading electronics companies in the manufacture of television and computer displays, semiconductor circuits and semiconductor packaging components. Micronic is located in Täby, north of Stockholm and at present has subsidiaries in the United States and Japan and a service office in Taiwan. Micronic's net sales for 2000 amounted to MSEK 704 (MSEK 213 in 1999) and the company has 325 employees. Micronic maintains a web site at: http://www.micronic.se