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REUTERS REJECTS INTENTIA'S ALLEGATIONS

LONDON – Reuters, the global information, news and technology group, today reiterated its rejection of allegations by the Swedish company Intenia International AB claiming that Reuters used illegal means to obtain information about its third quarter 2002 financial results.

Reuters states there is no substance to the allegations that it made an illegal entry to Intenia's IT systems. Reuters Stockholm News Bureau accessed Intenia's own public website and found information on Intenia's results ahead of its scheduled release time. This information was not accessed from a private or password-protected site, but from the public Internet.

Geert Linnebank, Reuters Editor in Chief, said, "As one of the world's leading news organisations, Reuters is in the business of informing the market with breaking news stories using all the tools at its disposal, but doing so in a legitimate, ethical manner with journalistic integrity."

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