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**Urgent  
Not For Publication**

Dear Sirs

**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Offshore Alert Financial Due Diligence Conference ("the Conference")**

(EXTRACTS)

We act for Federation Internationale de Football Association ("FIFA"). It has come to our client's attention that one of the speakers invited to address the Conference (in Miami Florida between 2 - 4 May 2010) will be Mr Andrew Jennings.

On your website you publish the Speaker List for the Conference and provide a description of Mr Jennings in the following terms:- 'With the world's biggest sporting event - soccer's FIFA World Cup - soon to take place, journalist and film-maker Andrew Jennings will present evidence of bribery and corruption at FIFA, which governs the sport globally, and CONCACAF, which controls the game in North America, Central America and the Caribbean. Find out why FIFA's bosses consider him 'Public Enemy Number One'.'

On your website you also publish an article "Corruption in Soccer on Mafia-Like Scale" (copy attached) in which further references (attributed to Mr Jennings) are made to bribery, corruption and other "illegal activities of our client" all of which are firmly disputed by our client.

In view of the foregoing our client maintains that considerable caution needs to be adopted towards any publication which Mr Jennings may make at the Conference and to ensure that any speech or other publications made by him through your Organisation, whether at the Conference or otherwise, comply with the relevant laws and applicable standards of professional conduct and consistently with your stated lack of bias and impartiality.

We emphasise that our client does not seek in any way to limit legitimate rights of free speech and proper investigative journalism but it does seek to protect its own interests against the possibility of false defamatory statements being made against it. In the circumstances our client considers it appropriate that you should be given notice of its position and its expectation that the relevant laws and professional standards will be observed in respect of any publications made through the medium of your organisation. No doubt you will also think it appropriate to make our client's concerns known to the sponsors of the Conference including in particular Grant Thornton the lead sponsor.

Your faithfully.

Lawrence Cartier