



Paris May 28, 2004

Iliad Group informs its shareholders that Mr. Xavier Niel, Chairman of the Board, is under investigation and is being temporarily detained.

These judicial proceedings involve the private affairs of Mr. Xavier Niel and do not concern any other members of the Group's management.

Iliad's Board of Directors met on Thursday May 27 and was informed of this situation. The Board is confident that the Group's CEO, Mr. Cyril Poidatz and its management team will continue to pursue the Group's strategic development.

Iliad is a leading player in the French telecommunications and Internet access industry via its subsidiaries Free (the second largest ISP and a licensed network operator), One.Tel (a fixed telephony provider) and Kertel (the leading alternative prepaid cards provider). Founded in 1991, the Group employs 520 people. Iliad is listed on Euronext Paris under the ticker ILLD.

Exchange : **Euronext Paris**

Market place : **1er Marché**

Ticker : **ILD**

ISIN Code : **FR0004035913**

FTSE Ranking: **974 Internet**

Member of SBF 250 Index

Contact Iliad: 01 73 50 20 00

Isabelle Audap, Press
Olivier Rosenfeld, Finance

<http://www.iliad.fr>

Contact Euro RSCG C&O

Stéphanie Raynaud
01 58 47 95 45
Laurent Dondey
01 58 47 95 17