



Milano, January 19, 2017

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

**Re:      Declarations regarding MHL Export S.r.l.**

Dear Sirs,

Mellin S.p.A. (hereinafter “*Mellin*”) has recently become aware that several online platforms in China have received a copy of a declaration claiming that all commercial relationships with the company MHL Export S.r.l. (hereinafter “*MHL Export*”) have been terminated and also that the products distributed by the latter and its subordinate distributors “*Are Fake Products*”.

In this regard, we would like first of all to inform you that Mellin has never issued nor authorized any such declaration, the contents of which we strongly reject, and that – consequently – the matter has already been reported to the competent authorities.

Secondly, we hereby confirm that the commercial and contractual relationship with MHL Export are still ongoing and that the latter is indeed Mellin’s official distributor for the territory of the People’s Republic of China and Hong Kong, according to the distribution agreement between the parties signed on December 12th, 2015.

Given the seriousness of the situation and of the allegations contained in the above mentioned declaration, we would be very grateful if you could kindly bring to our attention any similar situation that might arise in the future, so that we can take all

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necessary legal steps to protect our company's and our commercial partners' rights and reputation.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Kind regards,

**Mellin S.p.A.**

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