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News Release

Sword ECM Principal Consultant Awarded SharePoint MVP Again By Microsoft

London - August 20th, 2009 – Sword Group (NYSE Euronext:SWP) today announces that principal SharePoint consultant Arno Nel has been recognised as a Microsoft Most Valuable Professional (MVP) for SharePoint for the third time.

Sword's Enterprise Content Management (ECM) division incorporates Sword Group's International Microsoft SharePoint practice offering end-to-end enterprise SharePoint solutions encompassing Business Analysis, Solutions Architecture, Delivery, Development and Support backed by the Group's blended high value onshore/offshore delivery model for maximum value and quality of service.

Microsoft MVPs are an annually recognised select group of active and credible experts in online and offline technical communities, who demonstrate a passion to share their expertise. The MVP Program recognises these individuals for their participation in technical communities and their willingness to help others.

Arno Nel is also known as the creator and Editor-In-Chief of the popular SharePoint website SharePointMagazine <http://SharePointMagazine.net>. This is one of the most visited SharePoint community sites with readers in over 100 countries.

Toby Richards, General Manager of Community Support Services at Microsoft Corp said: "On behalf of Microsoft, I am pleased to recognise Arno Nel as a new member of this elite group. Arno Nel joins individuals from more than 90 countries who share their technical expertise by helping individuals maximise their use of technology."

Terry Coyne, Head of SharePoint Business Development, Sword ECM says: "This endorsement is great acknowledgement of the value Arno, and his SharePoint Practice colleagues, bring to Sword's customers, and the wider SharePoint community; Sword's SharePoint Practice is a recognised leader in the market, which has delivered strong organic growth through this depth of expertise. Additionally Sword's commitment to the SharePoint platform is further complimented by our innovative business applications that run on the SharePoint platform which enable the provision of end to end solutions for our customers."

About Sword Group

Sword Group (NYSE Euronext: FR0004180578 SWP) delivers high value business applications to the world's largest companies globally. With operations in 37 countries, Sword today employs around 2000 people and generates more than €200m in consolidated revenue. An international leader in the delivery of Business Process Improvement solutions, Sword's skills, infrastructure and experience help our customers across regulated industries optimise performance, increase efficiencies and maximise return on investment. With flexible delivery options, including On Demand and On Premises, combined with our extensive industry expertise, Sword provides comprehensive support to customers across insurance & healthcare, energy, banking & finance, telecoms, utilities, engineering & construction and the public sector.

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