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**EMIRATES GROUP ENHANCES SECURITY WITH TIPPINGPOINT
INTRUSION PREVENTION SYSTEMS**

Dubai-Based Emirates Group Blocks Internet Threats Using Powerful Security Solution

Austin, TX. – January 24, 2006 – TippingPoint, a division of 3Com and the leader in intrusion prevention, today announced that Emirates Airline, the widely-heralded international airline of the Emirates Group, is protecting its multinational enterprise with TippingPoint™ Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS).

The company is deploying an array of TippingPoint IPS devices to proactively protect its enterprise network against spyware, worms, Denial of Service floods and other Internet threats. As one of the world's fastest-growing airlines, flying to 75 destinations in the Middle East and beyond, Emirates Airline uses the IPS solution to safeguard its extensive Internet usage, including communications with airports, its pilots and flight crews.

“Aviation security is too critical to rely only on traditional security solutions such as firewalls and anti-virus software,” said Laserian M. Kelly, manager of information security for the Emirates Group. “Our industry demands extremely robust precautions to stop hackers and other threats from impacting systems that support services and scheduling. We chose the TippingPoint IPS because it delivers the most comprehensive and preemptive security available without compromising networking performance.”

The TippingPoint IPS prevents a wide range of threats from entering the Emirates Group's networking infrastructure, which, in addition to Emirates Airline, includes a

destination management and leisure division as well as aviation services providers. TippingPoint systems inspect all incoming traffic, permitting only legitimate traffic to enter. Additional TippingPoint devices situated within the network prevent threats at the network core. The IPS is updated regularly with the market-leading TippingPoint Digital Vaccine[®] real-time inoculation service, which delivers filters and vulnerability protection that preemptively block new threats.

“On the morning when a new Microsoft vulnerability was recently announced, we received a Digital Vaccine security filter that effectively protected our network against subsequent exploits,” said Kelly. “It is better to apply security proactively rather than reactively, and TippingPoint IPS ensures that we're protected against the latest threats.”

About TippingPoint, a division of 3Com

TippingPoint, a division of 3Com, is the leading provider of network-based intrusion prevention systems. The TippingPoint IPS is the most decorated in its industry. For a full list of awards, visit http://www.tippingpoint.com/products_certifications.html. Our innovative approach offers customers unmatched network-based security with unrivaled economics, ultra-high performance, scalability and reliability. TippingPoint is based in Austin, Texas, and can be contacted through its Web site at www.tippingpoint.com or by telephone at 1-888-TRUE-IPS.

About 3Com Corporation

3Com Corporation (NASDAQ: COMS) is a leading provider of secure, converged voice and data networking solutions for enterprises of all sizes. 3Com offers a broad line of innovative products backed by world class sales, service and support, which excel at delivering business value for its customers. Through its TippingPoint division, 3Com is the leading provider of network-based intrusion prevention systems that deliver in-depth application protection, infrastructure protection, and performance protection for corporate enterprises, government agencies, service providers and academic institutions. For further information, please visit www.3com.com, or the press site www.3com.com/pressbox.

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