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Berliner Freiverkehr (Aktien) AG Informs Against the Director of the Trade Supervisory Office

Last year Berliner Freiverkehr (Aktien) AG filed a complaint with the public prosecutor's office of the Frankfurt Regional Court against a person unknown for suspicion of betrayal of secrets (§§ 353b, 203 subsection 2 StGB German Criminal Code), market rigging (§ 88 BörsenG Stock Exchange Law) and slander (§ 187 StGB). Recent publications clearly show that the Director of the Trade Supervisory Office, Mr August Schäfer, must obviously have committed a breach of official duty. The Trade Supervisory office is subject to special maintenance of secrecy in conformity with § 2 b of the Stock Exchange Law.

The charges levelled against Mr Holger Timm, Member of the Board of Berliner Freiverkehr (Aktien) AG, of market rigging according to § 88 of the Stock Exchange Law are just as trumped-up as "collaboration" with journalists and have no foundation in fact. Rather, the market price of Berliner Freiverkehr (Aktien) AG has been impaired by deliberate misinformation and leaks.

Consequently, Berliner Freiverkehr (Aktien) AG has requested from the Frankfurt prosecutor's office that the above investigations into betrayal of secrets, market rigging and slander be extended to the Director of the Trade Supervisory Office, Mr August Schäfer, and that he be referred to as the person charged in this connection.

Berliner Freiverkehr (Aktien) AG will hold Mr Schäfer further responsible under civil law, for the damage caused and other grounds.

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