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PRESS RELEASE

SALE OF PARTICIPATION IN ELECTRO POWER SYSTEMS SA GENERATING A PLUSVALUE OF ABOUT EURO 7 MILLION

Collegno (TO), January 25, 2018 - Prima Industrie S.p.A. announces that Prima Electro S.p.A., a wholly-owned company, signed yesterday an agreement with a company belonging to the ENGIE Group (one of the largest global utilities based in Paris) for the sale of the stake (about 10%) held in Electro Power Systems SA ("EPS"), a company operating in the energy storage systems listed at the Euronext stock market in Paris.

The agreement was also signed with the other main shareholders of EPS and with the management of the company for the acquisition of the majority stake of EPS. The transaction will take place on the basis of an evaluation of euro 9.5 per share and will be followed by the filing of a mandatory Public Purchase Offer at the same price.

The completion and settlement of the transaction, subject to some conditions precedent, will take place within the first quarter of 2018, generating a capital gain of about 7 million euro for Prima Industrie Group.

PRIMA INDUSTRIE heads a leading Group in developing, manufacturing and marketing of laser systems for industrial applications, sheet metal processing machinery, as well as industrial electronics and laser technologies.

The parent company Prima Industrie S.p.A. is listed on the Italian Stock Exchange since 1999 (MTA- STAR segment).

With 40 years of experience the Group can count on over 12,000 machines installed in more than 80 countries worldwide and is among the main worldwide manufacturers in its own reference market.

The Group has about 1,700 employees and manufacturing sites in Italy (PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A, PRIMA ELECTRO S.p.A, FINN-POWER Italia Srl), Finland (FINN-POWER Oy), USA (Convergent Photonics Llc, PRIMA POWER LASERDYNE Llc.) and China (PRIMA POWER SUZHOU Co. Ltd.). Remarkable is as well its direct commercial and after-sales presence in BRIC, NAFTA, European Union and other emerging Asian countries.

The Prima Industrie Group is structured on 2 Business Units:

<u>Laser and sheet metal processing machines (Prima Power):</u> including design, manufacturing and marketing of:

- Laser machines for cutting, welding and drilling of 3D and 2D components.
- Machines for sheet metal treatment by means of mechanical tools (punching machines, combined punching/shearing systems, combined punching/laser cutting systems, panel benders and automation systems).

<u>Industrial electronics and laser technologies (Prima Electro):</u> including development, manufacturing and marketing of power and control electronics, and of high-power laser sources for industrial applications, destined both to the Group machines and to third parties.

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