



PRIMA INDUSTRIE

PRESS RELEASE

NUOVO MERCATO OF THE ITALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

**SHAREHOLDERS MEETING APPROVES THE COMPANY ACCOUNTS
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2002**

Collegno (Torino), May 15, 2003 – The Shareholders Meeting of Prima Industrie S.p.A., a company operating in the high technology sector of laser systems for industrial applications, approved today the company accounts as at 31/12/02 acknowledging also the Group consolidated accounts.

Today Meeting has also:

- approved modifications to the Corporate Governace code (already adopted on May 11, 2001) in accordance with the new directives suggested by the Corporate Governance Committee on the subject of related parties, internal control and independent Directors;
- resolved to grant to the Board of Directors a new authorization to purchasing Company treasury stocks (up to n° 200,000 shares, equal to 4.3% of the share capital), being the previous authorization expiring June 3rd, 2003.

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