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Montreal, CANADA, January 31, 2002 – Biorthex Inc. announces that regarding the dispute involving Imago SA and Eric Weynant, and Biorthex inc., on December 11, 2001, the *Tribunal de Grande Instance de Paris* has ruled again in favour of Biorthex and some of its Russian partners and rejected allegations from Imago SA and Mr. Weynant.

Firstly, the Court has determined that given that Imago SA is in compulsory liquidation since 1996, and that Mr. Weynant is not able to represent the company, the summons from Imago SA and Mr. Eric Weynant was nullified.

Secondly, the Court rejected Mr. Weynant's demands since he was not party to the agreement on the basis of which he stated his claims and was consequently sentenced to pay the amount of 30,000 francs.

Furthermore, on December 21, 2001, the Court of appeal of Paris confirmed another court order of October 31, 2001 rendered by the *Président du Tribunal de Grande Instance de Paris*, in which terms the Judge had rejected the claims of Imago SA and Mr. Eric Weynant. Adding to this ruling, the Court declared the claim against Biorthex unacceptable on the basis that the company was in compulsory liquidation, and therefore could only act through its receiver. Mr. Eric Weynant has been sentenced to pay the amount of 12,000 francs.

Finally, on January 30, 2002, the Paris court of appeal dismissed another appeal brought by Imago SA and Mr. Weynant, this time, against a decision of the *Tribunal de Grande Instance de Paris* rendered on June 14, 2001, which had denied the injunctive relief sought by Imago SA and Mr. Weynant.

Biorthex Inc. intends to defend its intellectual property rights and fight against each claim of the opposing party, who multiplies abusive and bad faith tactics to try to damage Biorthex Inc.

Biorthex inc. is a biotechnology company that designs, develops and markets innovative products for the surgical treatment of spinal disorders with the goal of becoming a leader in the field of orthopaedic medical devices.

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