IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

IRONBURG INVENTIONS LTD. a United Kingdom Limited Company,

Plaintiff,

VS.

COLLECTIVE MINDS GAMING CO. LTD., a Canadian Limited Company,

Defendant.

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Civil Action No.

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT



Plaintiff Ironburg Inventions Ltd. ("Plaintiff"), by and through counsel, files this Complaint for patent infringement and demand for jury trial against Defendant Collective Minds Gaming Co. Ltd. ("Defendant").

Plaintiff alleges as follows:

PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff Ironburg Inventions Ltd. ("Ironburg") is a company organized and existing under the laws of the United Kingdom having its principal place of business at 10 Market Place, Wincanton, BA9 9LP, Great Britain.
- 2. Ironburg conducts business in the United States by and through Scuf Gaming International, LLC ("Scuf Gaming"), a Georgia-based manufacturer, wholesaler, retailer, and restorer of custom video game equipment and accessories, including video game controllers ("gaming controllers"), which include Plaintiff's patented technology.
- 3. On information and belief, Defendant Collective Minds Gaming Co. Ltd. ("Collective Minds") is a company organized and existing under the laws of Canada, having a place of business at 8515 Place Devonshire, Suite 205, Mount Royal, Quebec H4P 2K1, Canada.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

4. This is a complaint for patent infringement arising under the patent laws of



the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq*. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§1331 and 1338(a).

- 5. Defendant has committed acts and continues to commit acts within this District giving rise to this action, and venue is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and §1400(b).
- 6. On February 4, 2014, United States Patent No. 8,641,525 (hereafter the "'525 Patent") entitled, "CONTROLLER FOR VIDEO GAME CONSOLE," was duly and legally issued to Plaintiff Ironburg. A copy of the '525 Patent is annexed hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- 7. On July 28, 2015, United States Patent No. 9,089,770 (hereafter the "'770 Patent") entitled, "CONTROLLER FOR VIDEO GAME CONSOLE," which is a continuation of the '525 Patent, was duly and legally issued to Plaintiff Ironburg. A copy of the '770 Patent is annexed hereto as **Exhibit B**.
- 8. On March 22, 2016, United States Patent No. 9,289,688 (hereafter the "'688 Patent") entitled, "GAMES CONTROLLER," was duly and legally issued to Plaintiff Ironburg. A copy of the '688 Patent is annexed hereto as **Exhibit C**.
- 9. On May 31, 2016, United States Patent No. 9,352, 229 (hereinafter the "'229 Patent") entitled "CONTROLLER FOR A GAMESCONSOLE," was duly and legally issued to Ironburg. A copy of the '229 Patent is annexed hereto as



Exhibit D.

- 10. On April 12, 2016, United States Patent No. 9,308,450 (hereinafter the "'450 Patent") entitled "GAME CONTROLLER," was duly and legally issued to Ironburg. A copy of the '450 Patent is annexed hereto as **Exhibit E**.
- 11. Plaintiff Ironburg is the owner and assignee of record of the 525, the '770, the '688, the '229 and the '450 Patents (together the "Patents-in-Suit").

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 12. As part of its business, Plaintiff licenses its patents, including to Scuf Gaming and Microsoft Corporation.
- 13. Defendant is presently making, using, importing, marketing, selling, and/or offering to sell gaming controller products, including but not limited to Defendant's Strike Pack product and Defendant's Trigger Grips product¹, in this District and elsewhere in the United States, which products are intended to be used, per instructions that Defendant provides to its customers, to modify Microsoft Xbox One gaming controllers, with the result being that the modified Xbox One gaming controllers incorporate one or more of Plaintiff's patented technologies.

¹ Pictures from Defendant's website of Defendant's Strike Pack product (http://www.collectiveminds.ca/cm00030.html) and of Defendant's Trigger Grips product (http://www.collectiveminds.ca/cm00090.html), and which include instructions for using those products to modify Xbox One gaming controllers, are annexed hereto as **Exhibit F**.



- 14. At least as early as March 4, 2016, in written and oral communications with Collective Minds, Ironburg notified Collective Minds that its marketing of gaming controller products, including Collective Minds' Strike Pack product and Trigger Grips product, when used as intended to modify Xbox One gaming controllers, resulted in gaming controllers that infringed Ironburg's gaming controller patents. In those pre-suit communications with Collective Minds, Ironburg specifically identified various claims in patents and then-pending patent applications as being met by Xbox One gaming controllers modified with Collective Minds gaming controller products as follows:
 - On March 4, 2016
 - Claim 20 of the '525 Patent (related to Collective Minds' Strike
 Pack)
 - Claim 1 of the '770 Patent (related to Collective Minds' Strike
 Pack)
 - Claim 1 of the then-pending patent application for the yet-tobe-issued '450 Patent (related to Collective Minds' Trigger Grips)
 - On March 29, 2016
 - o Claim 1 of the '688 Patent (related to Collective Minds' Strike



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