

MARKET RELEASE

21 April 2009

Aristocrat Leisure Limited

TRADING HALT

Aristocrat Leisure Limited (the "Company") will be placed in pre-open at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in pre-open until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Thursday, 23 April 2009 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: ALL

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Dear Sir/Madam

ARISTOCRAT LEISURE LIMITED (ASX Codes: ALL)

Request for Trading Halt

Aristocrat Leisure Limited (*Aristocrat*) requests that a trading halt be granted by the ASX from the commencement of trading on 21 April 2009 with respect to Aristocrat's fully paid ordinary shares (ASX code: ALL).

For the purposes of Listing Rule 17.1, Aristocrat provides the following information:

- the trading halt is necessary as Aristocrat will be making an announcement to the market in relation to a placement of shares to institutional and sophisticated investors;
- (b) Aristocrat requests that the trading halt remain in place until the opening of trading on 22 April 2009, unless before that time Aristocrat makes an announcement concerning the outcome of the placement or requests that the trading halt be lifted; and
- (c) Aristocrat is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Kelly

Company Secretary

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