

Global Investor and Issuer Services Depositary Receipts

January 20, 2005

ATTENTION: International Research, Sales, Trading and Operations Staff

TRADING HALT

STARPHARMA HOLDINGS LIMITED

Country: AUSTRALIA

Symbol: SPHRY

CUSIP Number: 855563102

Exchange: OTC

Ratio: 1 ADR: 10 ORDINARY SHARES

We have received the following notice from Starpharma, which was issued by the Australian Stock Exchange:

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The securities of Starpharma Holdings Limited 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 Monday 24 January 2005 or when the announcement is released to the market.

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