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# follows:

Plaintiff NovaLogic, Inc. ("NovaLogic") complains of the defendants and alleges as ws:

### **INTRODUCTION**

- 1. This is an action to enforce Plaintiff NovaLogic's intellectual property rights by putting a stop to the Defendants' knowing, willful and intentional scheme to trade on NovaLogic's trademarks and goodwill. NovaLogic publishes videogames and is an innovator in the first person shooter game genre. NovaLogic obtained federal registrations which are now incontestable for the logo and word mark long before Defendants' tortuous conduct. Indeed, Vivendi Games, a company acquired by Defendant Activision, previously licensed NovaLogic's marks for its video game. Yet, despite Activision's irrefutable knowledge of NovaLogic's superior trademark rights, Activision created knock-off marks that are nearly identical NovaLogic's design and word marks. Activision then shamelessly inserted these infringing marks throughout its competing first person military adventure video games.
- 2. As if this were not enough, Activision has in-turn licensed the infringing marks to Defendants Voyetra Turtle Beach ("Turtle Beach"), Microsoft Inc. ("Microsoft") and the BradyGAMES division of Penguin Books ("BradyGAMES") without NovaLogic's permission. As a result of Activision's unauthorized licensing, Turtle Beach and Microsoft have created special editions of their products where the overall look and feel is entirely dominated by use of the infringing marks. In addition, BradyGAMES, a creator of videogame strategy guides and books, has reproduced NovaLogic's marks in its publications relating to Defendants' game.
- 3. For almost fifteen years, NovaLogic has invested significant resources building the goodwill of its marks. Knowing that the public identifies these marks with NovaLogic's good reputation, Activision's infringing marks represent a shameless effort to capture the benefit of that investment. Defendants' actions confuse and deceive consumers by misrepresenting that NovaLogic is, in some way, affiliated with Defendants' products. By this strategy, Defendants seek to co-opt the reputation for quality that NovaLogic has spent

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### **JURISDICTION**

- 4. These causes of action arise under the provisions of the Lanham Act (15 U.S.C §§1051-1127), and the common law. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the First, Second and Third Causes of Action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1331 and 1338(a) and 15 U.S.C. §1125. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the Fourth and Fifth Causes of Action under 28 U.S.C. §1367(a) because these are claims that are so related to claims within the original jurisdiction of this Court under the trademark and unfair competition laws of the United States that they form part of the same case or controversy.
- 5. Venue in this judicial district is proper under 28 U.S.C. §1391(b) and (c) because the events giving rise to this action occurred in this district, namely the Defendants have, among other acts, marketed and sold in this district products using a mark confusingly similar to Plaintiff's and because the Defendants' actions have resulted in acts of trademark infringement and unfair competition throughout the State of California.

### **THE PARTIES**

- 6. Plaintiff NovaLogic is and at all times herein mentioned was a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, with a principal place of business in the city of Malibu, Los Angeles County, California.
- 7. Upon information and belief, defendant Activision Blizzard, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with a principal place of business in Santa Monica, Los Angeles County, California.
- 8. Upon information and belief, defendant Activision Publishing, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with a principal place of business in Santa Monica, Los Angeles County, California.
- 9. Upon information and belief, defendant Voyetra Turtle Beach, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with a principal

place of business in Elmsford, Westchester County, New York.

- 10. Upon information and belief, defendant Penguin Group (USA), INC. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with a principal place of business in New York, New York County, New York.
- 11. Upon information and belief, defendant Microsoft Corporation, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington, with a principal place of business in Seattle, King County, Washington.
- 12. NovaLogic is unaware of the true names and capacities of DOES 1 through 10, inclusive, and therefore sues said defendants by such fictitious names. NovaLogic will ask leave of Court to amend this Complaint to state the true names and capacities of the defendants sued as DOES when the same are ascertained. NovaLogic is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges that each of the fictitiously named defendants are responsible in some manner for the occurrences herein alleged, and that NovaLogic's damages, as herein alleged, were proximately caused by their conduct.
- 13. At all material times herein, each defendant was the agent, servant, and employee of their co-defendants, and in doing things herein alleged were acting in the scope of their authority as such agents, servants, and employees, and with the permission and consent of their co-defendants.

### FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 14. NovaLogic is a developer and global publisher of computer games for the PC, PlayStation® and PlayStation® 2 game consoles, and Xbox<sup>TM</sup> video game system.
- 15. NovaLogic is an innovator in the first person shooter game genre. For more than twenty-five years, NovaLogic has established a reputation as a leading producer of cutting edge video games. NovaLogic has worked with the United States Army and Marines and firms including Sikorsky and Lockheed Martin to develop software for both entertainment and military applications.
  - 16. Since 1998, NovaLogic has had a registered design mark on the Logo (U.S.

Reg. No. 2,704,298) (the "Logo"). The Logo consists of a delta symbol with a vertical lightening rod superimposed onto a dagger. The Logo is for use in connection with computer and videogame software, CD-ROM's and compact discs featuring computer games, accessories for playing electronic and computer games, namely templates, computer game joysticks and manuals.

- 17. NovaLogic also has a registered word mark on the text: DELTA FORCE (U.S. Reg. 2,302,869) (the "DELTA FORCE® Mark"). The DELTA FORCE® Mark is for use in connection with computer software featuring simulations created through graphics, computer game software, pre-recorded CD-ROM compact discs featuring computer games, hand held units for playing computer games, accessories for hand-held units for playing electronic computer games, namely computer game joysticks, manuals and strategy guides.
- 18. Said registrations are in full force and effect, are owned by NovaLogic, and have become incontestable under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.
- 19. In 1998, NovaLogic developed the game *Delta Force*, a military first person shooter game. About 10 versions of *Delta Force* have been published since its original release, grossing over \$150 million in worldwide sales. NovaLogic continues to develop new versions of the *Delta Force* series.
- 20. *Delta Force* pioneered many of the innovations of the first person shooter game genre including the use of the Logo throughout the game. As a result of NovaLogic's efforts, the Logo is now widely identified with the *Delta Force* series by gamers.
- 21. There is no unit of the U.S. Army called Delta Force. There is a branch of the Army's Special Operations known as 1<sup>st</sup> Special Forces Operational Detachment Delta ("1<sup>st</sup> SF-FOD"). The U.S. Army officially denies that any unit called Delta Force exists and does not claim ownership to either the Delta Force name or the Logo. Although there is much lore surrounding special operation units, only because of the *Delta Force* series does the general public identify the Logo with any actually existing military unit.
- 22. Activision is a videogame publisher that has published the *Call of Duty* series. In or about November, 2011, Activision released *Call of Duty Modern Warfare 3* ("CoD

MW3"); Activision's most recent first person shooter game and the latest version of the *Call of Duty* series. CoD MW3 is available on Microsoft Xbox 360, Sony Playstation 3 and on PC. CoD MW3 grossed \$1 billion in its first sixteen days of sales.

- 23. Activision has incorporated a design mark into CoD MW3 that is nearly identical to the Logo (the "Infringing Mark"). The Infringing Mark is hardly different from the Logo. The Infringing Mark's lightening rod is horizontal rather than vertical and a portion of the delta sign is set behind the dagger blade rather than being superimposed. The words DELTA FORCE are used throughout CoD MW3.
- 24. In single player mode, 7 of 16 missions are designated Delta Force missions, in which the only avatar available to players is "Frost", a Delta Force operator. In addition, players fight alongside a number of non-player controlled characters. Several of these characters are members of Delta Force. The Infringing Mark appears in both static screenshots (where the player has paused the game) and in dynamic screenshots as part of the continuing game play.
- 25. In multiplayer mode, 7 of 16 mission maps have "Delta Force" as one of the two factions that the player can select. The Delta Force option is presented to players through a display of the Infringing Mark. If the player chooses to play the Delta Force side, the Logo appears frequently throughout the mission. The Logo appears in both menus, out of game screens whereby the player has paused the game, and in dynamic game play. If the player chooses the alternate side, then all enemies will be designated "Delta Force" and the use of the Infringing Mark still appears frequently throughout game-play. At the time of this writing, Activision has released 6 additional multiplayer maps with infringing content. Activision plans to release additional content through their "Elite Content" feature. Presumably some of this content will further infringe on NovaLogic's marks.
- 26. Activision's use of the Infringing Mark and DELTA FORCE® Mark throughout CoD 3 MW creates a likelihood of confusion with NovaLogic's *Delta Force* series.
  - 27. Beyond Activision's direct infringement of NovaLogic's marks within COD

MW3, Activision also licensed the Infringing Mark to a number of third parties without NovaLogic's consent, knowledge or authorization. In so doing, Activision contributed to the infringing activities of each of the other Defendants.

- 28. In or around late 2011, Defendant Turtle Beach, licensed the Infringing Mark from Activision. Turtle Beach, a manufacturer of audio equipment used in conjunction with video games, released a broad series of limited edition headsets prominently displaying the Infringing Mark on the outside of each headphone. Additionally, the Infringing Mark is displayed in a photograph on the outside of the packaging. In cases where the outer wrapping is removed for display purposes, the Infringing Mark is visible through the clear plastic cover without having to open the package. Turtle Beach supported these products with a significant advertising campaign featuring photographs of their headset line with multiple prominent displays of the Infringing Mark.
- 29. In or around late 2011, Defendant Microsoft licensed the Infringing Mark from Activision. Microsoft, the manufacturer of video game console XBOX 360, released a limited edition console prominently displaying the Infringing Mark, which appears on the outside packaging as well as on the console itself. Microsoft ran a specific advertising campaign that prominently featured the limited edition XBOX360 with photographs that favored the side of the XBOX depicting the Infringing Mark.
- 30. In or around late 2011, Defendant BradyGAMES licensed the Infringing Mark from Activision. BradyGAMES, the publisher of video game strategy guides, published BradyGames' *Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3 Signature Series Strategy Guide* (the "Guide"). Within the Guide, there are numerous in game screenshots of CoD MW3 in which the Infringing Marks are reproduced.
- 31. On or around May 11, 2011, NovaLogic's intellectual property counsel sent a cease and desist letter to Activision regarding Activision's infringement of NovaLogic's marks in other *Call of Duty* games. (*See* Exhibit A) Activision did not respond to the letter, nor did it cease its infringing activities.
  - 32. On or around September 26, 2011, NovaLogic's intellectual property counsel

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27 28 sent an email to Activision requesting a response to the May 11, 2011 letter. (See Exhibit B). Activision did not respond to this email, nor did it cease its infringing activities.

- In another letter dated December 15, 2011, NovaLogic's intellectual property 33. counsel sent another cease and desist letter to Activision. (See Exhibit C). This letter specifically detailed Activision's infringing use of the Logo and DELTA FORCE® Mark. The letter also noted that Activision sub-licensed the Logo to Turtle Beach and Microsoft without NovaLogic's knowledge, consent or authorization.
- 34. In a letter dated January 6, 2012, counsel for Activision responded to the NovaLogic's December 15, 2011 cease and desist letter indicating Defendants' refusal to cease their infringing activities. (See Exhibit D).
- Upon information and belief, Defendants' use of the Infringing Mark and 35. DELTA FORCE® Mark demonstrates a deliberate effort to market a competing product bearing confusingly similar, if not identical, infringing trademarks. Consumers are confronted with Activision's use of the Infringing Mark through numerous retailers, online retailers and licensees.
- 36. NovaLogic and Activision are direct competitors. Activision's use of the Infringing Mark and the DELTA FORCE® Mark can lead consumers to believe that NovoLogic is the source of the product, misconceive an association between or sponsorship of Defendants' products by Novalogic, or at worst, that Activision is the successor in interest to NovaLogic's registered marks.
- 37. NovaLogic is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants' advertising and representations have caused, and continue to cause, confusion within the industry, and damage to NovaLogic, including economic and reputation damage.
- As a result of Defendants' wrongful conduct, NovaLogic has lost millions of 38. dollars of business, possibly more. If Defendants' infringing practices are not discontinued quickly, it is likely that the damage to NovaLogic will grow exponentially, causing more confusion in the market place, and to the reputation for quality that NovaLogic has worked so hard to establish.

deception among purchasers and potential purchasers of products bearing the Infringing
Marks as to the source and/or origin of the goods sold by Defendants by reason of the fact
that purchasers are likely to believe that Defendants goods originate from, or are in some
way properly connected with, approved, sponsored or endorsed by NovaLogic under its
Logo or DELTAFORCE Marks.

- 48. The confusion, mistake or deception referred to herein arises out of the aforesaid acts of Defendants which constitute false designation of origin and unfair competition in violation of section 43(a) of the Trademark Act of 1946, as amended, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a).
- 49. Upon information and belief the aforesaid acts were undertaken willfully and with the intention of causing confusion, mistake or deception.
- 50. As a proximate result of the acts of Defendants, as alleged herein, NovaLogic has suffered, is suffering and will continue to suffer irreparable damage and, unless said Defendants are restrained from continuing these wrongful acts, the damage to NovaLogic will increase.
  - 51. NovaLogic has no adequate remedy at law.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

Contributory Federal Trademark Infringement, 15 U.S.C. § 1114 Contributory Unfair Competition/False Designation of Origin 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a) (Against Activision)

- 52. NovaLogic refers to the allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 49 of this Complaint and incorporates them as though fully set forth herein.
- 53. On information and belief, by licensing NovaLogic's marks without NovaLogic's knowledge, consent, or authorization. Activision knew or should have known they contributed to the infringing actions and/or unfair competition/false designation of origin of Turtle Beach, Microsoft and BradyGUIDE.
- 54. Activision's aforesaid acts constitute contributory trademark infringement in violation of the Trademark Laws of the United States, 15 U.S.C. § 1114, and at common law, and contributory false designation of origin and unfair competition in violation of

**COMPLAINT** 

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### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE NovaLogic prays for judgment against Defendants, and each of them, as follows:

- 1. For an order finding that, by the acts complained of herein, Defendants have engaged in trademark infringement and unfair competition/false designation of origin and that such conduct has been willful;
- 2. For an order awarding general and/or specific damages, in an amount to be fixed by the Court in accordance with proof, including punitive and exemplary damages as appropriate, as well as all of Defendants' profits or gains of any kind resulting from each cause of action, and further for an order awarding treble damages, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117(b) or any other applicable statute, because the acts of infringement were willful and wanton;
- 3. For an order finding that an award of pre and post judgment interest is necessary to fully compensate NovaLogic for the damage it has sustained;
- 4. For injunctive relief, preliminary and permanent injunction enjoining and restraining Defendants, and all persons or entities acting in concert with them, during the pendency of this action and thereafter perpetually from using any NovaLogic marks, including the Logo and the Delta Force® mark, or any other name, mark, designation or depiction in a manner that is likely to cause confusion regarding whether Defendants are affiliated or associated with or sponsored by NovaLogic;
- 5. For an order awarding to NovaLogic all of its costs, including its attorneys' fees incurred in prosecuting this action;
  - 6. Awarding NovaLogic recovery for any unjust enrichment of Defendants;
  - 7. For an order awarding to NovaLogic such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

1	Dated: May 8, 2012	Respectfully submitted:
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May 11, 2011

### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Certified Article Number 7196 9008 9040 0247 SENDERS RECORD

Mr. Chris Walther Chief Legal Officer Activision Blizzard, Inc. 3100 Ocean Park Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405

> Re: NovaLogic, Inc.

Dear Mr. Walther:

We represent NovaLogic, Inc. ("NovaLogic"), a leading developer, publisher and distributor of innovative first person and multiplayer computer games, in intellectual property matters.

It has come to our attention that Activision Publishing Inc., has and continues to offer for sale a product known as the "Call of Duty: Black Ops Escalation." As you well know, NovaLogic has been selling and/or distributing a game using its trademark ESCALATION since at least November, 2004. A copy of promotional material showing NovaLogic's use of that mark is enclosed.

The sale and distribution of "Call of Duty: Black Ops Escalation" will lead consumers to be confused with NovaLogic's popular and well known game and believe that your game is associated with, approved, or endorsed, by NovaLogic and, thus, constitutes trademark infringement and unfair competition.

As you know, the penalties for trademark infringement are severe, and in the cases of willful infringement, could subject the infringer, in addition to injunctive relief, to enhanced damages incurred by our client and payment of its attorneys fees, as well as requiring the destruction of infringing signage and related materials.

Moreover, the afore-described usage by your client is likely to dilute the value of the famous "ESCALATION" name and mark and constitutes trademark dilution in violation of federal and State laws.

Chris Walther May 11, 2011 Page 2

In view of the circumstances, we must request your immediate and full cooperation, that, within the next thirty (30) calendar days, you cease and desist from any use of the term "Escalation", in whole, or as part of any business or company name, or in any other manner, and that you cease and desist from any use of any mark or term or words, confusingly similar to NovaLogic's "Escalation" title for any purpose whatsoever.

It is NovaLogic's policy to protect its intellectual property rights and to enforce those rights against infringers. The purpose of this letter is to formally notify you of NovaLogic's objection to the use of their trademark ESCALATION identified above, and to call upon you to immediately:

- 1. Cease all further sales and distribution of "Call of Duty: Black Ops Escalation" to customers in the United States;
- 2. Cease all further importation of the product into the United States;
- 3. Cease all further sales to distributors for importation or sale into the United States; and
- 4. Provide us with a full accounting of all such products which you have sold to any customer in the United States or to any distributor for importation or sale into the United States, including contact name, company name, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number and facsimile number.

If you agree to the foregoing, NovaLogic would be willing to waive any right to bring an action against you relating to your sales of the cases to date.

We trust that you will recognize our client's clear legal rights with respect to its trademark rights in the mark ESCALATION, and hope that this matter can be quickly and amicably resolved.

Please give this matter your prompt attention and let us know by no later than May 18, 2011, how you intend to proceed.

Chris Walther May 11, 2011 Page 3

We look forward to your cooperation and response.

Sincerely,

FULWIDER PATTON LLP

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cc: Mr. John Garcia

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### **Monica Mandel**

**From:** John Fitzgerald

Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 3:41 PM

**To:** Tuck, Mary

**Subject:** RE: NovaLogic - Claim regarding Call of Duty Black Ops Escalation

Ms. Tuck.

To date, we have received no reply from Activision to our letter of May 11, 2011 other than your email below. We believe that you should have been able to complete your review by now, and would like to hear your response as soon as possible.

Regards,

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From: Tuck, Mary [mailto:Mary.Tuck@activision.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 18, 2011 10:15 AM

**To:** John Fitzgerald

**Subject:** NovaLogic - Claim regarding Call of Duty Black Ops Escalation

Mr. Fitzgerald, your letter of May 11, 2011 has been forwarded to me for review. We are reviewing the claims in your letter and will advise.

Mary A. Tuck Senior Director, Litigation and IP Activision Publishing, Inc. 3100 Ocean Park Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90405

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December 15, 2011

### **VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS:**

Robert A. Kotick Chief Executive Officer Activision Blizzard, Inc. 3100 Ocean Park Blvd. Santa Monica, California 90405 CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION FOR SETTLEMENT PURPOSES ONLY Fed. R. Evid. 408; Cal. Evid. Code § 115

Eric Hirshberg
Chief Executive Officer
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3100 Ocean Park Blvd.
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Re: (1) Activision's Willful Trademark Infringement of ESCALATION
Our Docket No. NOVAL-86425

(2) Notice of Infringement of NovaLogic, Inc.'s DELTA & SWORD DESIGN
U.S. Reg. No. 2,704,298
CTM Reg. Nos. 005106216, 002835106
Our Docket No. NOVAL-87545



(3) Notice of Infringement of NovaLogic, Inc.'s DELTA FORCE
U.S. Reg. No. 2,302,869
CTM Reg. No. 0098912
Brazilian Reg. Nos. 821844040, 821044059
Our Docket No. NOVAL-XXXX

Dear Mr. Kotick and Mr. Hirshberg:

You are already aware from our letter of May 10, 2011, enclosed herewith, that our firm represents NovaLogic, Inc. ("NovaLogic") with regard to its intellectual property matters. As you can no doubt appreciate, our client is both puzzled and disappointed that Activision Blizzard, Inc. and its subsidiary, Activision Publishing, Inc., (both hereinafter referred to as "Activision") have not seen fit to substantively respond to our letter or cease its infringement of NovaLogic's senior and superior rights

in the ESCALATION mark for use in connection with video games. A copy of Activision's continued unauthorized use is enclosed herewith as Exhibit A.

Indeed, NovaLogic has been selling military and reconnaissance adventure video games under the ESCALATION mark since at least as early as November of 2004. NovaLogic's ESCALATION video games have flooded both the United States and international markets, garnering recognition for their high-quality design. Notwithstanding our client's rights in the ESCALATION mark, Activision – a direct competitor of NovaLogic – has deliberately chosen to adopt a confusingly similar ESCALATION mark for the Call of Duty: Black Ops Escalation content pack. Further, Activision has taken upon itself to mimic NovaLogic's design formative of the ESCALATION mark by utilizing a similar font in capitalized lettering and sandwiching the ESCALATION mark between a top and bottom border lining.

Clearly, Activision's actions have created the perfect environment for consumer confusion. Consumers exposed to Activision's unauthorized usage of NovaLogic's ESCALATION mark will surely mistakenly assume some sort of affiliation between your company and NovaLogic, or sponsorship by NovaLogic, and Activision's unauthorized usage in the marketplace will likely dilute NovaLogic's famous mark. Indeed, the aforementioned risk is absolutely unavoidable, since Novalogic has documented evidence of its consumers who mistakenly purchased Activision's infringing product and then contacted Novalogic with complaints or noting that they could not login to Novalogic's gaming services. Your company is reminded that courts have routinely recognized that evidence of actual confusion is strong proof of a likelihood of confusion. Thane Intern., Inc. v. Trek Bicycle Corp., 305 F.3d 894, 902, 64 USPQ2d 1564 (9th Cir. 2002) (evidence of actual confusion is "persuasive proof that future confusion is likely"). As you can appreciate, our client is concerned that consumers will continue to experience confusion in the market place. Further, as additional cause for concern, any defects in the Activision games bearing the confusingly similar mark could be attributed to our client, thus tarnishing the exceptional reputation and goodwill of NovaLogic.

Keeping in mind that our client has extended Activision the courtesy of first offering a means for resolution of the instant matter through Activision's agreement to cease all use of the ESCALATION mark, our client can only assume through the silence on Activision's part that your company is fully content to willfully tread upon NovaLogic's superior rights in violation of federal and state trademark laws.

Indeed, not only has Activision undertaken its own mission to confuse honest consumers by adopting a confusingly similar ESCALATION mark in conjunction with *identical* goods of its competitor, or client has now learned that Activision — in outright defiance of NovaLogic's federally recognized trademark rights — has adopted a mark almost *identical* to NovaLogic's Delta Sword & Design mark, shown below, for use in

connection with its Call of Duty video games and ancillary products therefor. Copies of Activisions' unauthorized usage is enclosed herewith as Exhibit B.



Further, Novalogic has deliberately engaged in usage of Novalogic's registered DELTA FORCE® mark in conjunction with the confusingly similar Delta Sword & Design mark in a rotating design at the beginning of the seven (7) of the total (16) single player missions, that play as DELTA FORCE or feature NovaLogic's marks:

- ACT I Black Tuesday
- ACT II Hunter Killer
- ACT II Goalpost
- ACT II Bag and Drag
- ACT II Iron Lady
- ACT III Scorched Earth
- ACT III Down the Rabbit Hole

Enclosed herewith as Exhibit C is a CD featuring the confusingly similar rotating logo, which Activision has adopted without authorization from NovaLogic.

As Activision is undoubtedly aware, a major gaming product offered by NovaLogic is its DELTA FORCE® series of games sold under both the Delta Sword & Design and DELTA FORCE® marks where the player conducts missions swiftly and silently, in every possible terrain, whether in indoor or outdoor environments, under every imaginable condition and through unconventional means in either first (1st) or third (3rd) person perspective across miles and miles of vast outdoor environments. Our client, as a leader in the gaming industry, has garnered such high regard from its consumer military simulation market that is has been contracted by the U.S. military forces, such as the U.S. Army, to integrate NovaLogic's gaming technologies into military and civilian training communities. As such, NovaLogic has worked with several U.S. Army commands, notably as provider of training software for the Land Warrior soldier system. NovaLogic continues to partner with defense contractors such as Lockheed Martin, Boeing and Sikorsky. Accordingly, NovaLogic has developed

substantial goodwill in its famous brand, including the above-captioned Sword Design mark.

NovaLogic is the registered owner of the Delta Sword & Design mark (Reg. No. 2,704,298), for use in connection with Computer and video game software, CD-ROM's and compact discs featuring computer games; accessories for playing electronic computer games, namely templates, computer game joysticks and manuals therefor, sold as a unit in Class 9 and Entertainment Services, namely, providing on-line computer games in Class 41. The Trademark Office has acknowledged the incontestability of this registration. NovaLogic is also the registered owner of the Delta Sword & Design mark in the European Union for use in connection with goods in Classes 9, 28, and 41. Copies of NovaLogic's U.S. and CTM registrations are enclosed for your review as Exhibit D.

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Perhaps in light of Activision's willful refusal to cease use of NovaLogic's ESCALATION mark, our client was not surprised to learn that Activision has undertaken to adopt a mark almost identical to NovaLogic's registered Delta Sword & Design mark as well as NovaLogic's DELTA FORCE® mark for use in connection with video games, and has further proceeded to license our client's Delta Sword & Design mark to third parties, such as Voyetra Turtle Beach and possibly even Microsoft for use in connection with ancillary video game products, such as the XBox® and video game headsets. Notably, the differences between the two marks are so insignificant that Activision has merely mirrored the triangular lightning rod horizontally and set a portion of the triangle "behind" the knife blade. Inescapably, the changes are so minor that the marks are truly one and the same.

Further, considering that Activision is a direct competitor of NovaLogic and that Activision has undertaken efforts to apply for federal protection of marks with the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office ("USPTO"), your company is aware of the Federal and Supplemental Registers, as well as the federal laws granting protecting to marks thereon. Accordingly, you company's conduct smacks of a bad faith attempt to trade on the goodwill developed by NovaLogic in its Delta Sword & Design® mark and DELTA FORCE® mark.

Our client cannot allow your company to continue this conduct. Clearly, consumers who are exposed to the virtually identical Delta Sword & Design mark and NovaLogic's DELTA FORCE® mark that Activision recently adopted without our client's authorization will result in a likelihood of confusion. Consumers are confronted with the Activision's pervasive use of the nearly identical mark through numerous retailers, online retailers, and licensees. Clearly, with such extensive exposure, consumers who see Activision's confusingly similar mark will mistakenly believe NovaLogoic to be the source of the product, or misconceive an association between or sponsorship of Activision by NovaLogic. Worse yet, consumers might assume that Activision is a successor in interest to NovaLogic's registered mark.

You are reminded that under the trademark laws your company is charged with knowledge of trademark applications and registrations published and existing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office records. Since NovaLogic's trademark applications and subsequent registrations directed at Delta Sword & Design mark and DELTA FORCE® marks were both submitted and granted long ago, knowledge thereof is imputed to Activision. Under the circumstances, it would seem foolish to assume that Activisions's selection and adoption of these marks was merely an oversight; rather, it was more likely done to intentionally capitalize on the goodwill of our client's name and registered marks. NovaLogic must, therefore, insist that you immediately discontinue any and all use of its marks, including the ESCALATION<sup>TM</sup> mark, the Delta Sword & Design® mark, and the DELTA FORCE® mark, as well as any marks confusingly similar thereto.

As Activision is surely aware, its impermissible usage of NovaLogic's registered marks in connection with competing goods subjects it to civil liability on multiple grounds, including liability for trademark infringement under 15 U.S.C. §1114, False Designation of Origin under 15 U.S.C. §1125(a), and common law trademark infringement and unfair competition to name but a few. Your company's unauthorized use of its infringing trademarks subjects the company to liability for monetary damages under 15 U.S.C. § 1117. Additionally, our client is entitled to injunctive relief ordering Activision's cessation of use, and the withdrawal and destruction of infringing products under 15 U.S.C. § 1116. If it is found that Activision had knowledge of NovaLogic's trademarks and willfully infringed, which appears to be a likely conclusion in the

instant matter, Activision could also be liable for enhanced damages and payment of our client's attorney's fees.

Rather than immediately resort to litigation, our client has graciously decided to extend Activision the opportunity to swiftly set to rights its folly by means of a suitable resolution. To this end, NovaLogic has instructed us to contact you and demand that Activision immediately agree to the following:

- Activision immediately cease and desist from any manufacture, offer for sale, distribution and/or sale of the CALL OF DUTY computer gaming products bearing, or incorporating into the game itself, the almost identical copy of our client's above-captioned Delta Sword & Design Mark, the DELTA FORCE® mark and the confusingly similar ESCALATION mark;
- Activison immediately recall ALL of the infringing computer gaming
  products and promotions materials therefor bearing, or incorporating into
  the game itself, the nearly identical Delta Sword & Design Mark, the
  DELTA FORCE® mark and the confusingly similar ESCALATION
  mark in the possession of its DEALERS, DISTRIBUTORS AND SUBDISTRIBUTORS;
- Activison immediately notify ALL licensees of the infringing computer gaming products and promotions materials therefor bearing, or incorporating into the game itself, the nearly identical Delta Sword & Design Mark, the DELTA FORCE® mark and the confusingly similar ESCALATION mark in their possession that it is lacks proprietary rights in NovaLogic's marks and, as such, it had no authority to license such rights to the licensees. Rather, if any licensees wish to continue use of the marks, they must contact NovaLogic to discuss prospects for negotiating a license agreement;
- Activision provide a detailed accounting of ALL of the infringing computer gaming products sold to date in the U.S.A., including the number of games sold, the selling price, and to whom sold in the U.S.A., as well as all royalties derived from unauthorized licensing of NovaLogic's marks so that we can determine what damages are owed to NovaLogic;
- Activision immediately remove all of the marks infringing upon NovaLogic's registered Delta Sword & Design Mark, the DELTA FORCE® mark and the confusingly similar ESCALATION mark from Activision's goods in the marketplace, or if impracticable *destroy* any

and all of the infringing computer gaming products where the marks cannot be removed (including the removal of same *within* the computer gaming environment);

- Activision provide the name, address, telephone and facsimile numbers of its supplier(s), manufacturers, and licensees of the infringing computer gaming products, whether located in the United States or in a foreign country;
- Activision must fully comply with each of the foregoing provisions listed above by January 13, 2012;
- With respect to the accounting set forth above, Activision will comply by <u>January 27, 2012</u>, TOGETHER WITH ACTIVISION'S CERTIFIED CHECK FOR 20% OF THE GROSS REVENUE DERIVED BY ACTIVISION FROM ITS INFRINGING ACTIVITIES AS A SHOWING OF GOOD FAITH TOWARDS SETTLEMENT OF THIS MATTER SHORT OF LITIGATION; and
- Activision will provide its written assurance that it will comply with all of the foregoing terms by **December 30, 2011**.

Despite our client's generosity of dispatching the instant letter to Activision in lieu of immediately resorting to litigation, you are cautioned not to ignore the requests set forth herein. While our client prefers to resolve this matter amicably, it is entirely capable of enforcing its valuable intellectual property rights, if necessary. In order to ensure our client is not prejudiced by untimely delays, we must demand your company's compliance as requested above no later than January 13, 2012, and the aforesaid accounting by January 27, 2012. If we have not heard from you or your attorneys by **December 30, 2011** or if the infringing products continue to be sold, we will assume you have chosen to ignore this letter and our client will act accordingly.

This letter is written without prejudice to our client's rights in law and equity, all

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Sincerely,

FULWIDER PATTON LLP

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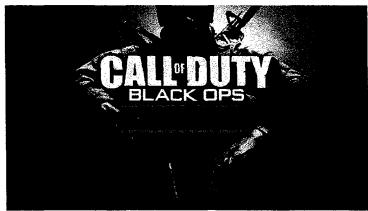
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"Escalation", the second Call of Duty: Black Ops map pack, contains 5 all-new exceptionally varied maps; featuring 4 Multiplayer maps and an epic Black Ops Zombles experience with all-new playable characters.

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In **Multiplayer**, battle it out in "Hotel", on the roof of a Cuban luxury hotel and casino against the vivid backdrop of old Havana; "Convoy" delivers intense, close-quarters combat at the scene of an ambushed US military convoy; "Zoo" takes you on a wild ride in an abandoned Soviet Russian Zoo, with danger at every turn; "Stockpile" pits players in a remote Russian farm town housing secret WMD facilities.

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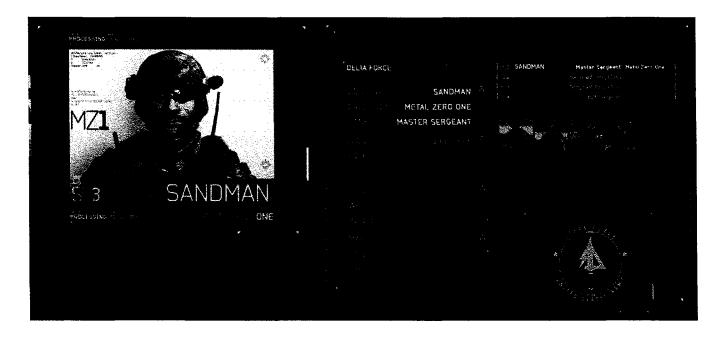


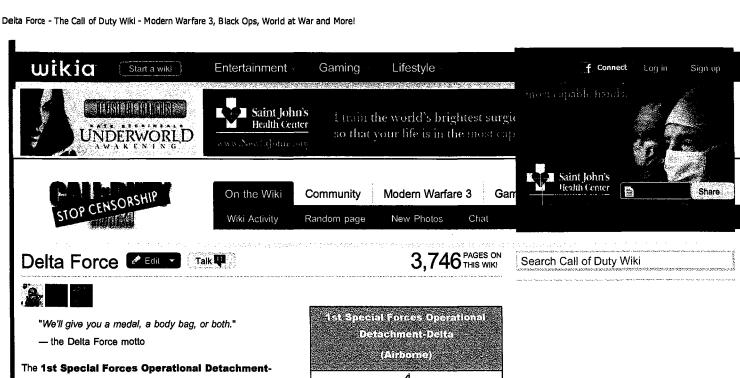
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Delta, also known as Delta Force or Delta, is the US Army's elite and secretive counter-terrorism and special operations unit. Delta Force appears in Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3. In the game, the player assumes the role of Derek "Frost" Westbrook, a Delta operator, while fighting through the streets of New York<sup>[1]</sup>, France and Germany. They are also one of the multiplayer factions with Overlord being their announcer and are featured in the maps Dome, Downturn, Fallen, Hardhat, Interchange, Lockdown, and Outpost.

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- Sandman (K.I.A.)
- Truck (K.I.A.)
- Grinch (K.I.A.)

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Team Metal



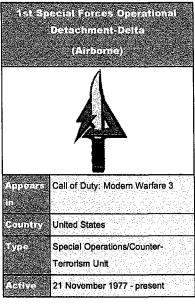
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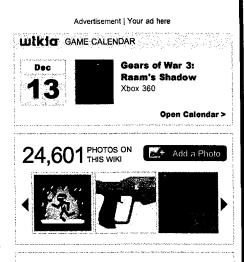
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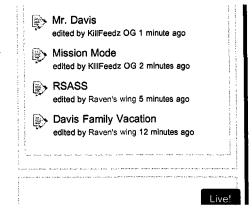
Team Onyx

# Other Delta Operators & Edit

- Kojack
- Granite
- Worm
- Grizzly
- Taco
- Gator
- Nomad
- Thumper
- Jayhawk







- Jester
- Midnight
- Poet
- Redcell
- Canine
- Cyclops
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- Robot
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#### Trivia PEdit

- Normally, Delta force operators wear Multicam under body armor combat shirts (UBACS), Multicam pants, "Ranger Green" plate carriers like the Army Rangers in MW2, FAST Ballistic Helmets, and Oakley Tactical gloves. While in Down the Rabbit Hole, all Delta Force operators are seen wearing what could either be the same winter uniforms as Task Force 141, or the uniform they wear on other missions with a PCU (protective combat uniform) cold weather jacket.
- Military author and retired Delta Force Major Dalton Fury was one of the consultants for Modern Warfare
   3.
- The first person hand models for Delta Force wear Oakley gloves. [citation needed]
- In multiplayer they always face the Spetsnaz.
- It was seen in several screenshots prior to Modern Warfare 3's release that the Delta Force used the emblem of the U.S. Navy SEALs from Modern Warfare 2 as a placeholder.
- Their multiplayer announcer is Overlord.
- The Delta Force teams that appear in Modern Warfare 3 all appear to be named after earth substances,
   e.g. Granite and Onyx Team.
- All Delta operators have the blood type O positive (a Delta trademark) and M01 on their arms this could mean Metal 0-1 (Sandman) but is used by all of the operators in Delta Force and is probably just a production mistake.
- In Hunter Killer all of the Delta and SEALs wear the same uniform and are all African-American, with the exeption of Sandman.



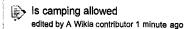




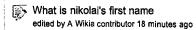
Sandman running through the

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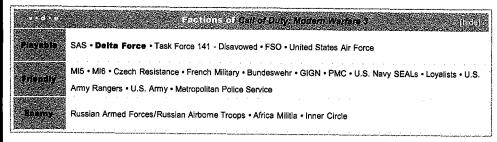


Delta Force Logo on Briefing Screen

Another Delta operator

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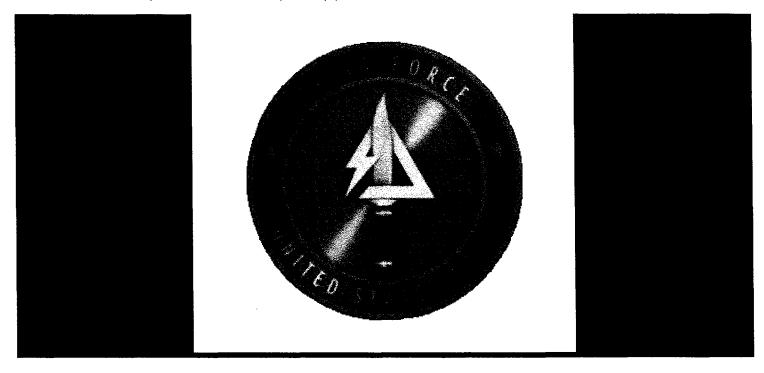




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4. Update] We just got a correction from Turtle Beach regarding this morning's announcement, According to the company, the price of the Brayo headset is \$1.0,05, not the \$1,9,05 originally listed. In addition, the Foxfrot headset is wired, not wireless,

Original Story: Call of Daty is kind of a big deal around these parts, so it should come as no surprise that peripheral manufacturers are happy to hop onto the bandwagon. A new partnership between headphone manufacturer Turtle Beach and Activision means that players will have several more audio options when the same comes out later this year.

"Call of Duty continues to define action while also becoming a cultural phenomenon as well as the industry standard." noted Michael Arzt. Vice President of Marketing and Business Development for Turtle Beach. "As the long-time leader and innovator in the gaming audio category. Turtle Beach is excited to introduce a collection of purpose built Modern Warfare 3 headsets with features and benefits that will far surpass gamers' expectations for licensed headsets."

Turtle Beach says the line of headsets will ship this October, in advance of Modern Warfare g's November 8 release. Depending on the model, players will have access to special features, such as audio presets and voice prompts. Here's a look at each of the four headsets, straight from the manufacturer:

• Ear Force BRAVO (EFB) — Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3 Optimized Programmable Wireless Universal Gaming Headset (pictured above). Featuring the same custom Modern Warfare 3 presets as the EFD, the EFB provides players with the same optimized experience in a universal headset that's the perfect Call of Duty companion on Xbox 360, PS3 and PC, MSRP, 81, 9,95.

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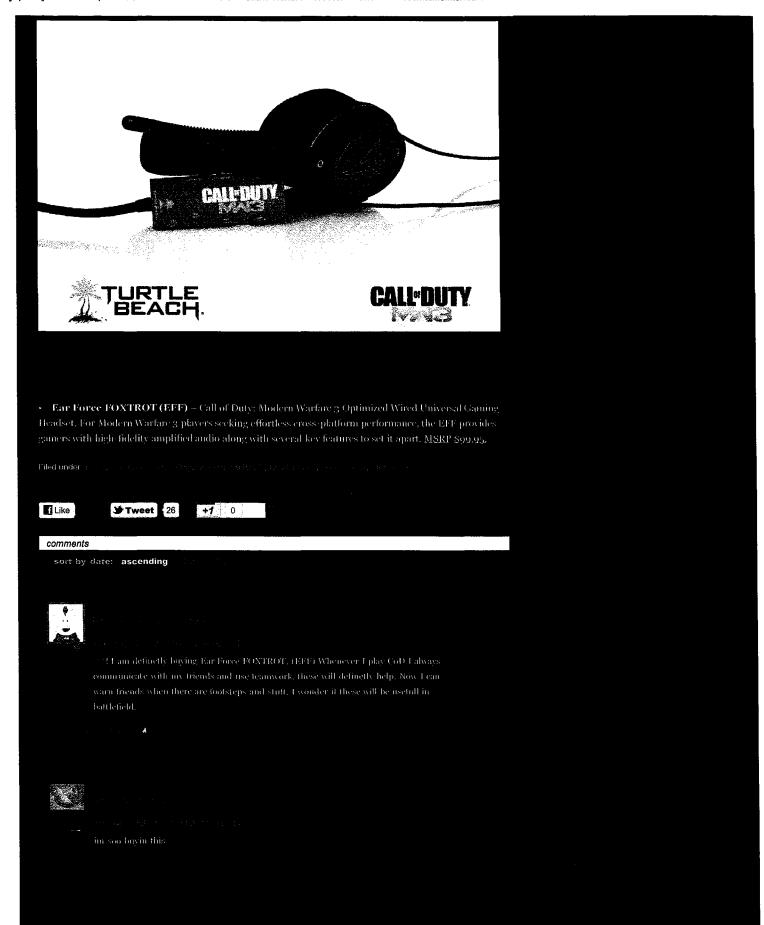
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🧃 Ninja Rhino

Secretary July 10, 2011 at 08:14 AM

oh lord. I sure hope CoD isn't becoming the industry standard

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Techday, July 19, 2011 at 08:23 AM

Cool I guess. I doubt these will be any better than previous models though, Just the same thing with MW3 stamped on the side, for a higher price.

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by sEPCs

Laurebay, July 19, 2011 at 08:24 AM

i would buy these, but primarily so i can hear the epicness of BF3's sound. And, so i could have my own audio UAV at all times on MW3  $\,$ 

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Ly Whig:

. Free day, July 19, 2011 at 08:26 AM

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by Stonecutters 908

Decaday, July 19, 2011 at 08:28 AM

\$300 dollar head set? LOL I could go out an buy another console for that.

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by LouBattle

Torsidez, July 19, 2011 at 08:33 AM

Cool idea. I'd be fine with the current versions though, Good for the fans who get a kick

out of this kind of stuff.



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Translation July 19, 2011 at 08:40 AM

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Learntey July 19, 2011 at 08:56 AM

might pick one of these up for battlefield 3. /irony

EDIT: Scratch that ill just buy an old turtle beach headset. I cant justify the prices on most of these these.



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Tur-sday, July 19, 2011 at 08:57 AM

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Hmm, the EFD is just a branded XP500 right? The Delta Force emblem is cool and all but I'll just go with the plain pair and save a good 30\$

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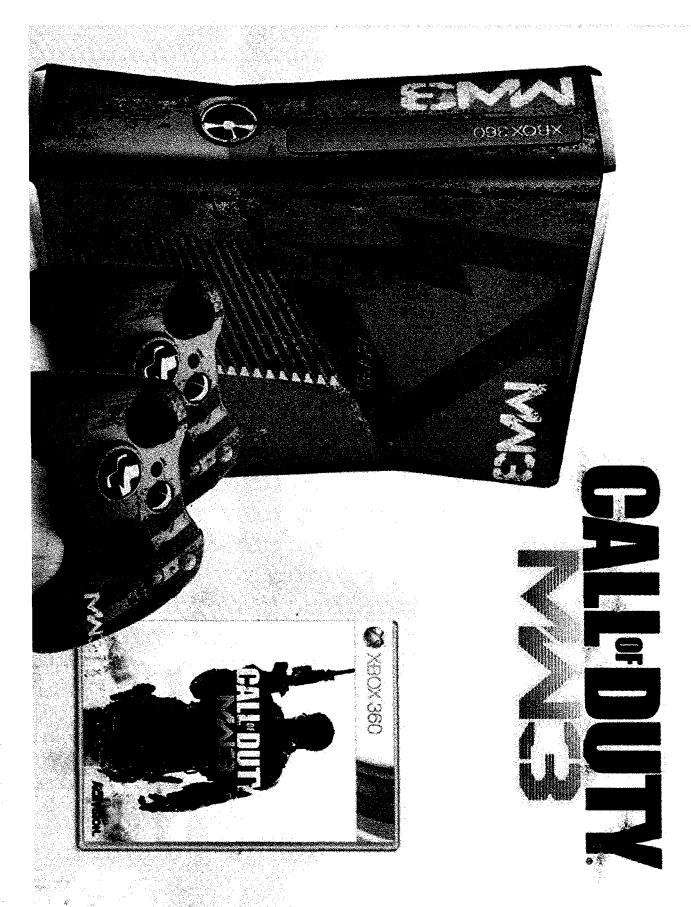
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I want to get those Gucei ear force bravo ones but its hard to justify that amount of

money. I just really want wireless headset that is compatible with both of my systems. Mister Doctor Professor Chancellor Admiral Chris My headset that came with my 360 is still kicking so I probably won't pick this up, Itscool and will get tons of purchases but its not my thing. Seneral Church ill stick with my Tritons thank you very much. Colton Ljust bought some earphones. nickjohnson i will buy one of those headphones before the end of the year. A Jack Wildx i got to get one too Cover Stories Hubs Must Read Service Podcasts Magazine



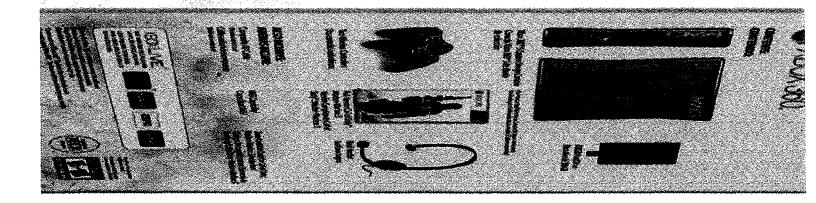












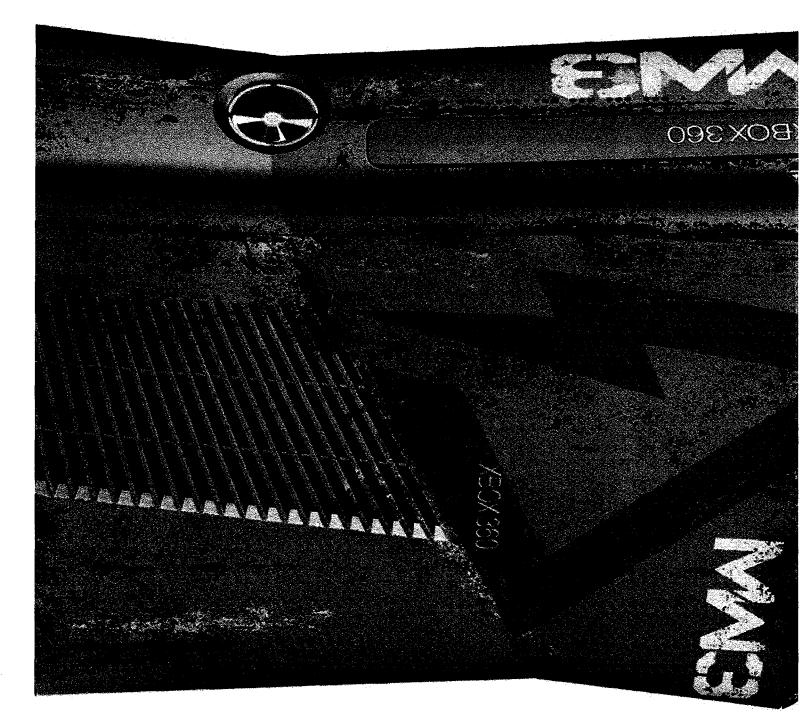
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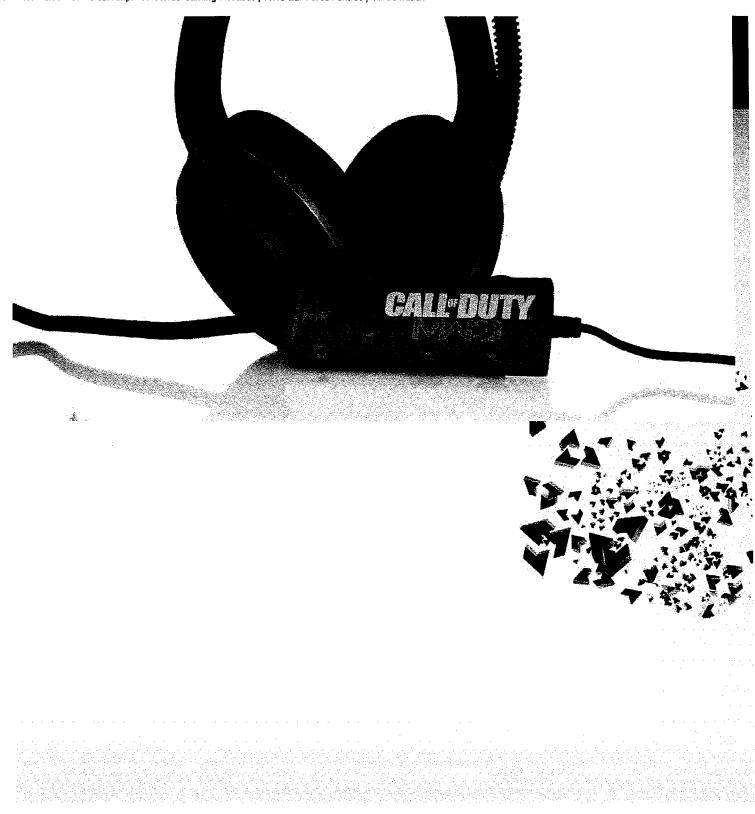












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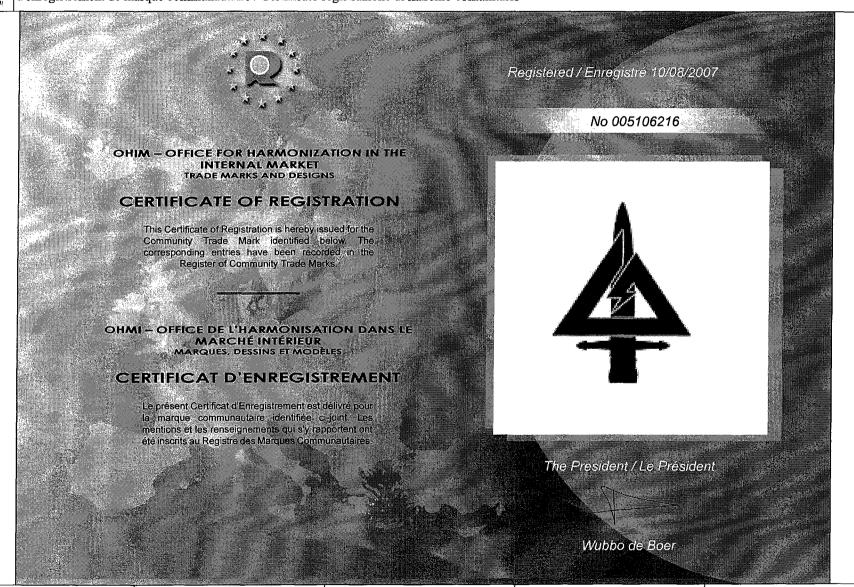
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Unidades portáteis para jogar jogos de computador electrónicos e software para trabalhar com as unidades portáteis atrás referidas, vendidos em conjunto.

SK - 28

Vreckové zariadenia na prehrávanie elektronických počítačových hier a počítačový softvér na prevádzku takýchto vreckových zariadení, všetky sú predávané v celku.

Ročne enote za igranje elektronskih računalniških iger in ra-čunalniška programska oprema za upravljanje takih ročnih enot,vse naprodaj skupaj kot enota.

FI - 28

Kädessä pidettävät yksiköt elektronisten tietokonepelien pelaamista varten sekä näiden yksiköiden käyttöön tarkoitetut tietokoneohjelmistot, kaikki yksikkönä myytynä.

Handhållen enhet för att spela elektroniska datorspel och programvara för drift av sådana handhållna enheter, alla säljs

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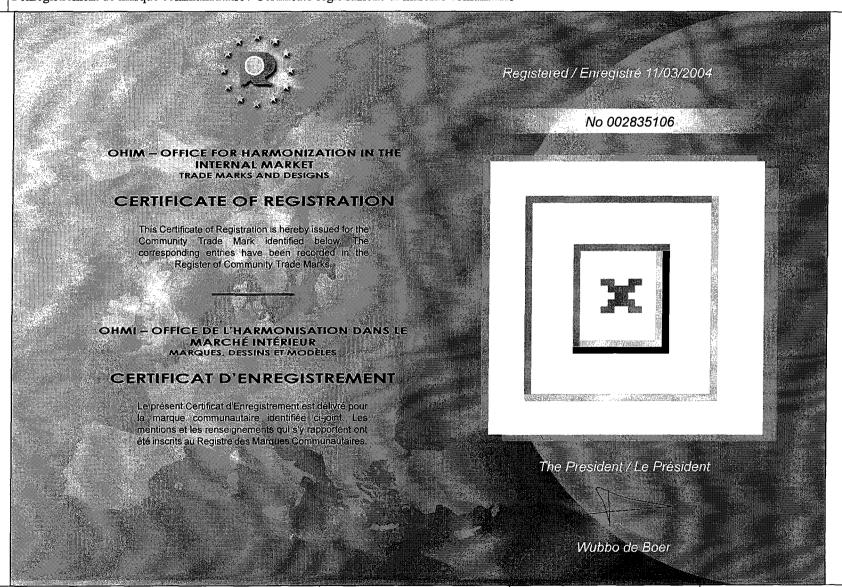
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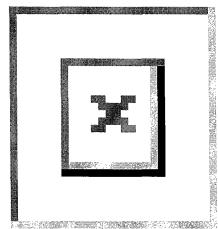


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ES - 09

Informática y software de videojuegos, CD ROM y discos compactos con juegos de ordenador;accesorios para la práctica de juegos de ordenador electrónicos, en concreto, plantillas, palancas de mando de juegos informáticos y manuales de los mismos, vendidos de forma unitaria.

ES - 28

Unidad de mano para jugar con juegos de ordenador electrónicos y software para que funcionen estas unidades de mano.

Servicios de entretenimiento, en concreto facilitación de juegos de ordenador en línea.

Software til computer- og videospil, cd-rommer og cd'er med computerspil;tilbehør til elektroniske computerspil, nemlig skabeloner, joysticks til computerspil og manualer hertil, solgt som en enhed.

Håndholdt enhed til elektroniske computerspil og computersoftware til betjening af disse håndholdte enheder,

DA - 41

Underholdningsvirksomhed, nemlig tilveiebringelse af onlinecomputerspil.

DE - A9

Computersoftware und Videospielsoftware, CD-ROMs und CDs mit Computerspielen; Zubehör zum Spielen elektronischer Computerspiele, nämlich Vorlagen, als Einheit verkaufte Joysticks für Computerspiele und Handbücher dafür.

DE - 28

Taschengeräte zum Spielen elektronischer Computerspiele und Computersoftware zum Betrieb solcher Taschengeräte.

Unterhaltungsdienstleistungen, nämlich Bereitstellung von Online-Computerspielen.

EL - 09

Λογισμικό για παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών και βιντεοπαιχνίδια, σύμπυκνοι δίσκοι και σύμπυκνοι δίσκοι που περιέχουν παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών εξαρτήματα για παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών, συγκεκριμένα πρότυπα, χειριστήρια τύπου μοχλού για παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών και εγχειρίδια αυτών, πωλούμενα ως σύνολο.

EL - 28

Συσκευή χειρός για ηλεκτρονικά παιχνίδια και λογισμικό ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών για τον χειρισμό αυτών των συσκευών χειρός.

EL - 41

Υπηρεσίες ψυχαγωγίας, συγκεκριμένα παροχή παιχνιδιών ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών επί γραμμής.

Computer and video game software, CD ROM's and compact discs featuring computer games; accessories for playing electronic computer games, namely templates, computer game joysticks and manuals therefor, sold as a unit.

EN - 28

Hand-held unit for playing electronic computer games and computer software for operating such hand-held units.

EN - 41

Entertainment services, namely, providing online computer games.

Logiciels et logiciels de jeux vidéo, CD-ROM et disques compacts contenant des jeux informatiques; accessoires de jeux électroniques pour ordinateurs, à savoir modèles, manettes de jeux et manuels, vendus sous forme d'ensemble.

Dispositifs portatifs pour jeux électroniques pour ordinateurs et logiciels d'exploitation pour ces dispositifs portatifs.

Services de divertissement, à savoir jeux informatiques en ligne.

IT - 09

Software per computer e software per videogiochi, CD-ROM e compact disc contenenti giochi per computer; Accessori per giochi elettronici per computer, ovvero template (basi), joystick per giochi per computer e relativi manuali, venduti come un unico articolo.

IT - 28

Dispositivi tascabili per giochi elettronici per computer e software per il funzionamento di tali dispositivi tascabili.

IT - 41

Alicante,

14/12/2011

Divertimento, ovvero fornitura on-line d'un gioco per computer. NL - 09

Computers en software met videospellen, cd-roms en compactdiscs met computerspellen;accessoires voor het spelen van elektronische computerspellen, te weten sjablonen, joy-

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sticks voor computerspellen en handleidingen darvoor, als een set verkocht.

In de hand te houden eenheden voor het spelen van elektronische computerspellen en software voor de bediening van dergelijke eenheden op handformaat,

Ontspanning, te weten het verstrekken van on-linecomputerspellen.

Informática e software para jogos de vídeo, CD-ROM e discos compactos contendo jogos de computador;acessórios para jogar jogos de computador electrónicos, nomeadamente modelos, joysticks para jogos de computador e manuais relativos aos mesmos, vendidos em conjunto.

Unidades portáteis para jogar jogos de computador electrónicos e software para operar as referidas unidades portáteis.

Serviços de divertimento, nomeadamente fornecimento de jogos de computador em linha.

FI - 09

Tietokone ja videopeliohjelmistot, CD-ROM-levyt ja tietokonepelejä sisältävät cd-levyt; varusteet elektronisten tietokonepelien pelaamiseen, nimittäin mallineet, tietokonepelien ohjainsauvat ja näiden käyttöoppaat, myydään yksikkönä.

Kädessä pidettävät laitteet elektronisten tietokonepelien pelaamista varten sekä näiden laitteiden käyttöön tarkoitetut tietokoneohielmistot.

FI - 41

Viihdepalvelut, nimittäin online-tietokonepelien tarjoaminen.

Programvara till dator- och videospel, cd-romskivor och cdskivor innehållande datorspel;tillbehör för att spela elektroniska datorspel, nämligen mallar, styrspakar till datorspel och handböcker därtill, salda som en enhet.

Handhållen enhet för att spela elektroniska datorspel och programvara för drift av sådana handhållna enheter.

Underhållningstjänster, nämligen tillhandahållande av direktanslutna datorspel.

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#### **DELTA FORCE**

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FOR: COMPUTER SOFTWARE FEATURING SIMULATIONS CREATED THROUGH GRAPH-ICS; COMPUTER GAME SOFTWARE; PRE-RE-CORDED CD-ROM COMPACT DISCS FEATUR-ING COMPUTER GAMES; HAND-HELD UNITS FOR PLAYING COMPUTER GAMES, NOT BEING STAND-ALONG UNITS; ACCESSORIES FOR HAND-HELD UNITS FOR PLAYING ELECTRONIC COMPUTER GAMES, NAMELY, COMPUTER GAME JOYSTICKS AND MANU-ALS THEREFOR, SOLD AS A UNIT, IN CLASS 9 (U.S. CLS. 21, 23, 26, 36 AND 38). FIRST USE 5-21-1998; IN COMMERCE

10-27-1998.

FOR: COMPUTER GAME INSTRUCTION MANUALS AND STRATEGY GUIDES, IN CLASS 16 (U.S. CLS. 2, 5, 22, 23, 29, 37, 38 AND

FIRST USE 5-21-1998; IN COMMERCE 10-27-1998.

FOR: COMPUTER SERVICES, NAMELY, PROVIDING ON-LINE ENTERTAINMENT IN THE FIELD OF COMPUTER GAMES, IN CLASS 41 (U.S. CLS. 100, 101 AND 107).

FIRST USE 5-21-1998; IN COMMERCE 10-27-1998.

SN 75-483,113, FILED 5-11-1998.

MELVIN AXILBUND, EXAMINING ATTOR-NEY



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- 511 E.S. 9 Software de juegos de ordenador, discos de juegos compactos, juegos de ordenador y accesorios para jugar con juegos de ordenador.
  - ES 1 6 Manuales de instrucciones; manuales de instrucciones de juegos de ordenador; guías estratégicas.
  - ES 28 Juegos informáticos portátiles y accesorios para jugar con los mismos.
  - ES 41 Esparcimiento, esparcimiento en línea; diversiones en línea relativas a juegos de ordenador, simuladores de vuelo, simuladores de combate y de guerra; servicios de información relacionada con las actividades mencionadas.
  - DA 9 Software til computerspil; spil på cd;computerspil og tilbehør til computerspil.
  - DA 16 Instruktionsmanualer; betjeningsvejledninger til computerspil; strategihåndbøger.

- DA 2B Lommecomputerspil og tilbehør til at spille disse spil.
- DA 41 Underholdningsvirksomhed; udbydelse of onlineunderholdning; levering of onlineunderholdning vedrørende computerspil, flyvesimulatorer, kamp- og krigssimulatorer, information vedrørende ovennævnte.
- DE 9 Software für Computerspiele; Spiele-CDs;Computerspiele und Zubehör zur Verwendung für Computerspiele.
- DE 1.6 Bedienungsanleitungen; Bedienungshandbücher für Computerspiele; Strategie-Anleitungen.
- DE 28 Taschencomputerspiele und Zubehör zum Spielen derselben.
- DE 41 Unterhaltung; Online-Unterhaltung; Online-Unterhaltung in Bezug auf Computerspiele, Flugsimulatoren, Kampf- und Kriegsführungssimulatoren; Bereitstellung von Informationen in Bezug auf das vorstehend Genannte.
- EL 9 Λογισμικό για παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών σύμπυκνοι δίσκοι με παιχνίδια παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών και εξαρτήματα για παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών.
- ΕL 1 6 Εγχειρίδια οδηγιών χρήσης εγχειρίδια οδηγιών χρήσης για παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών οδηγοί για παιχνίδια στρατηγικής.
- EL 28 Παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών χειρός και εξαρτήματα για αυτά.
- ΕL 41 Ψυχαγωγία· παροχή ψυχαγωγίας επί γραμμής παροχή ψυχαγωγίας επί γραμμής σχετικά με παιχνίδια ηλεκτρονικών υπολογιστών, με προσομοιωτές πτήσης, προσομοιωτές μάχης και πολέμου· παροχή πληροφοριών σχετικά με τα προαναφερθέντα.
- EN 9 Computer games software; compact games discs; computer games and accessories for playing computer games.
- EN 1 6 Instruction manuals; computer game instruction manuals; strategy guides.

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- EN 28 Hand-held computer games and accessories for playing same.
- EN 41 Entertainment; provision of online entertainment; provision of online entertainment relating to computer games, flight simulators, combat and warfare simulators; provision of information relating to the aforesaid sentings.
- FR 9 Logiciels de jeux d'ordinateurs; disques compacts de jeux; jeux d'ordinateurs et accessoires pour jouer aux jeux d'ordinateurs.
- FR 1 6 Manuels d'instruction; manuels d'instruction de jeux d'ordinateurs; guides de stratégie.
- FR 28 Jeux d'ordinateurs portables et les accessoires pour y jouer.
- FR 41 Divertissement; services de divertissement en ligne; services de divertissement el ligne concernant les jeux d'ordinateurs, simulateurs de vol, simulateurs de combat; services d'information dans les domaines précités.
- IT 9 Software per giochi elettronici; giochi su compact disc;giochi e accessori per computer per utilizzare giochi per computer.
- IT 1 6 Manuali di istruzioni; manuali di istruzioni per giochi per computer; manuali di strategia.
- IT 28 Giochi elettronici tascabili e relativi
- IT 41 Divertimento, divertimento online; divertimento on-line riguardante giochi per computer, simulatori di volo, simulatori di combattimento e d'azioni di guerra; fornitura di informazioni relative alle suddette attività.
- NL 9 Software voor computerspellen; compactdiscs met spellen; computerspellen en accessoires voor het spelen van computerspellen.
- NL 16 Instructiehandboeken; instructiehandboeken voor computerspellen; strategiehandboeken.

- NL 2B Met de hand te bedienen computerspellen en accessoires voor het spelen van computerspellen.
- NL 4.1 Ontspanning; het bieden van onlineamusement; het bieden van on-line amusement met betrekking tot computerspellen, vluchtsimulatoren, gevechts- en oorlogvoeringssimulatoren; het verstrekken van informatie met betrekking tot het voornoemde.
- PT 9 Software para jogos de computador, jogos em discos compactos, jogos de computador e acessórios para jogor jogos de computador.
- PT 1 6 Manuais de instruções; manuais de instruções para jogos de computador; guias de estratégia.
- PT 28 Jogos de computador de mão e acessórios para jogar os mesmos.
- PT 41 Divertimento; fornecimento de divertimentos em linha;fornecimento de divertimentos em linha relacionados com jogos de computador, simuladores de voo, simuladores de combates e guerra; fornecimento de informações relacionadas com os serviços referidos.
- F\*1 9 Tietokonepeliohjelmistot; cd-levyille tallennetut pelit; tietokonepelit ja tietokonepelien pelaomisessa tarvittavat varusteet.
- FI 1 6 Ohjekirjat; tietokonepelien ohjekirjat; strategiaoppaat.
- FI 28 Kādessā pidettāvāt tietokonepelit ja
- FI 41 Ajanviete; on line -viihteen tarjonta; tietokonepeleihin, lentosimulaattoreihin, taisteluja sodankäyntisimulaattoreihin liithyvän on line -viihteen tarjoaminen; edellä mainittuun liithyvien tietojen tarjoaminen.
- SV 9 Programvara till datorspel; cdspel;datorspel och -tillbehör för spel av datorspel.
- SV 16 Instruktionshandböcker; instruktionshandböcker för datorspel; strategihandböcker.
- SV 28 Handdatorspel och tillbehör för spel av dessa.

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SV - 4.1 - Underhöllning; direktansluten underhöllning;direktansluten underhöllning rörande datorspel, flygsimulatorer; strids- och kigssimulatorer; tillhandahöllande av information med avseende på det tidigare nämnda.

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## Re: Trademark Infringement Allegations of Novalogic, Inc.

Dear Jessica:

We are counsel for Activision Blizzard, Inc. ("Activision"). We are writing in response to your letter of December 15, 2011, addressed to Activision, and your letter of December 2, 2011, addressed to Voyetra Turtle Beach.

Activision, of course, takes very seriously any allegations of infringement, including that its videogames infringe a third party's trademark or other intellectual property rights. Activision also is sensitive to claims that its products are likely to confuse customers as to sponsorship or affiliation with a third party. That being said, we believe that the claims asserted in your letter are without merit, both as a factual and legal matter.

#### **Novalogic's Purported ESCALATION Mark**

There is no likelihood of confusion with respect to Novalogic's purported ESCALATION mark and Activision's use of the term "escalation" in connection with its *Call of Duty: Black Ops Escalation* map pack.

First, it is well established that in analyzing the likelihood of confusion, the marks must be considered "in their entirety and as they appear in the marketplace." Nutri/System, Inc. v. Con-Stam Indus., Inc., 809 F.2d 601, 605-06 (9th Cir. 1987) (emphasis added). As illustrated in Exhibit A to your December 15, 2011 letter, the term "escalation" appears only in conjunction with Activision's trademark CALL OF DUTY BLACK OPS. As you are well aware, the CALL OF DUTY franchise has surpassed \$5 billion in retail sales and Activision has expended many millions of dollars advertising and marketing games and merchandise under the CALL OF DUTY trademark. The CALL OF DUTY mark is famous, and consumers associate games utilizing that mark with one source — Activision, not Novalogic. Because of the prominence of the famous CALL OF DUTY mark in "Call of Duty: Black Ops Escalation," the map pack is not

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likely to mislead or confuse an "appreciable number of ordinarily prudent purchasers" as to its sponsorship, endorsement or affiliation with Novalogic's game. <u>Hormel Foods Corp. v. Jim Henson Prods.</u>, Inc., 73 F.3d 497, 502 (2d Cir. 1996).

Second, the Activision product at issue is a map pack used in connection with the game *Call of Duty: Black Ops*. Consumers purchasing the *Call of Duty: Black Ops Escalation* map pack necessarily must also purchase the original *Call of Duty: Black Ops* game. Accordingly, consumers associate the map pack with the game *Call of Duty: Black Ops* and with Activision – not with Novalogic or a Novalogic product.

Third, Novalogic has no secondary meaning in the term "escalation." Novalogic's game *Joint Operations: Escalation* was released over seven years ago as an expansion pack to *Joint Operations Typhoon Rising*. Novalogic itself does not appear to have ever bothered to obtain a trademark registration with respect to the mark "escalation." This is not surprising, since the term exists in a very crowded field of videogames, books, movies and other such products. Just a few examples that can be easily located from a review of the PTO database and other publicly available sources are as follows:

- ESCALATION STUDIOS for computer game software, computer game programs, computer game cartridges, and CD-ROMs featuring videogames for entertainment uses with manuals sold as a unit (Reg. No. 3,880,109)
- A comic book series entitled "The Transformers: Escalation"
- An "Escalation Mode" in the XBOX videogame "Transformers: War For Cybertron"
- "Escalation Pack" available on XBOX for the "Tom Clancy's EndWar" game

For this reason alone, there exists no likelihood of confusion. See Miss World (UK) Ltd. v. Mrs. America Pageants, Inc., 856 F.2d 1445, 1449 (9th Cir. 1988) ("In a crowded field of similar marks, each member of the crowd is relatively weak in its ability to prevent use by others in the crowd... In such a crowd, customers will not likely be confused between any two of the crowd and may have learned to carefully pick out one from the other.").

Notwithstanding the fact that there clearly is no likelihood of confusion by Activision's use of the term "escalation," to the extent Novalogic has, as it claims, "evidence" of consumers purchasing Activision's product and then mistakenly contacting Novalogic to complain, Activision requests that Novalogic provide any such evidence, so that it can be reviewed by Activision. As you know, however, *de minimis* evidence of actual confusion does not demonstrate a likelihood of confusion. See e.g. Nutri/System, Inc., 809 F.2d at 606-07. In fact, the very case to which you cite states that "[t]his is not to say that evidence of actual confusion will always compel a jury to find likelihood of confusion. In some cases, a jury may properly find actual confusion evidence *de minimis* and thus 'unpersuasive as to the ultimate issue ....'" Thane Int'l v. Trek Bicycle Corp., 305 F.3d 894, 902 (9th Cir. 2002).

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# Novalogic's Purported DELTA FORCE and Delta Sword & Design Marks

For many of the same and additional reasons, there is no likelihood of confusion with respect to Novalogic's alleged DELTA FORCE and Delta Sword & Design marks.

As an initial matter, we note that the phrase "Delta Force" and the logo comprising a delta symbol superimposed with a dagger are associated with the special operations force formed by the U.S. Army in November 1977. See e.g. <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delta\_Force">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delta\_Force</a>. The existence of this special force and its logo has become increasingly well known, and the logo, in particular, has been exploited and used by others for years, if not decades, before Novalogic filed its trademark application. These facts certainly undermine Novalogic's claim that use of the term "Delta" and a logo comprising a triangle and dagger create a likelihood of confusion with Novalogic. Further, the fact that Novalogic itself may be misrepresenting as to source undermines any claim to incontestability. Please provide us with evidence as to Novalogic's alleged right to use its marks as a designation of source in view of their apparent origins.

With respect to in-game content, Activision's use of the term "Delta Force" and of the logo of which you complain is protected by the First Amendment. A Lanham Act claim can only succeed if "the public interest in avoiding consumer confusion *outweighs* the public interest in free expression." Rogers v. Grimaldi, 875 F.2d 994, 999 (2d Cir. 1989) (emphasis added). This requires a two-part analysis: The use of the mark must be relevant to the creative work; if relevant to the work, the use must not explicitly mislead consumers about the source or content of the work. Here, there is no question that Activision's use meets this test. See E.S.S. Entm't v. Rock Star Videos, 547 F.3d 1095, 1099 (9th Cir. 2008) (the in-game use of the name "Pig Pen" for a strip club, the corresponding logo, and the appearance of the building in the game, did not infringe the trademark of the real-world "Play Pen," the strip club's logo, or the trade dress of the building).

Beyond this, even if any of your allegations were subject to the Lanham Act, they would fail for numerous reasons.

First, the design logos are not "almost identical," and even if they were, the marks exist in a crowded field. A few examples that can be easily located from searches of the PTO records and searches on Google are below:

- SPEED SURPRISE, VIOLENCE OF ACTION logo (Reg. No. 4,027,050)
- JEDBURGH PARTUM FORMIDONIS INGERO NEX (Reg. No. 3,783,870)
- ELITE SPECIAL FORCES STANDARD ISSUE (Reg. No. 2,967,689)
- "Delta Force Emblem T-Shirt" (<u>See</u>
   <a href="http://www.printfection.com/shop/logo/T-Shirt/product.2745653/show-sideid.5277255.">http://www.printfection.com/shop/logo/T-Shirt/product.2745653/show-sideid.5277255.</a>)

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"Military Law Enforcement Cap" bearing "Delta Force" emblem (<u>See http://www.newegg.com/Product/Product.aspx?Item=9SIA027000A056&nm\_mc=OTC-Froogle4&cm\_mmc=OTC-Froogle4-\_-Hats-\_-GT-\_-9SIA027000A056.)
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Because the marks exist in a crowded field, Novalogic's "ability to prevent use by others in the crowd" is relatively weak. See Miss World (UK) Ltd., 856 F.2d at 1449.

Second, Novalogic's alleged DELTA FORCE mark also is extremely weak and exists in an extremely crowded field. There are countless examples of the use of "Delta" and "Delta Force" on videogames, entertainment, toys and printed materials as indicated below:

- AIRFORCE DELTA for use with computer game programs (Reg. No. 2,477,271)
- DELTA CHROME for use with video game software (Reg. No. 3,249,948
- DELTA FORCE for use with posters (Reg. No. 2,453,397)
- DELTA MORPH ATV for use with toys and playthings (Reg. No. 3,340,913)

Third, especially in light of the above, in analyzing the likelihood of confusion, the marks must again be considered "in their entirety and as they appear in the marketplace." Nutri/System, Inc, 809 F.2d at 605-06 (emphasis added). In this case, the marks either appear within the Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3 ("Call of Duty MW3") game itself, or on Call of Duty MW3 headsets. In both cases, the mark is used closely in conjunction with Activision's CALL OF DUTY, MODERN WARFARE, and/or CALL OF DUTY MW3 marks. As such, it is not likely these products will mislead or confuse an "appreciable number of ordinarily prudent purchasers" as to Novalogic's possible sponsorship, endorsement or affiliation. Hormel Foods, 73 F.3d at 502.

Fourth, and finally, with respect to Turtle Beach's purported use of the term "Delta" in connection with certain headsets, the phrase "Delta Force" is not used. Rather, the phrase "Ear Force" is used with consecutive designations of the common call letters "Alpha," "Bravo," "Charlie," "Delta" and "Foxtrot," which designate different versions of the headset. The use of "Ear Force" in conjunction with the term "Delta" is not used as a source identifier. This use further eliminates any likelihood of consumer confusion of Novalogic's DELTA FORCE mark.

Accordingly, although we have not attempted to address every allegation contained in your letters, in light of the prominent First Amendment considerations, the highly crowded fields, and the clear differences in the marks' actual appearances in the marketplace, Activision strongly believes there is no basis for Novalogic's allegations of trademark infringement. Activision has never used the marks in a manner intended to invoke or refer to Novalogic, and it will continue to refrain from any such use. While we believe the claims set forth in your letter are greatly exaggerated and without merit, we believe that continued discussions would be productive to see

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if we can find a mutually agreeable resolution to these issues. In that regard, we should see if there is some time next week for us to discuss these issues in more detail.

Of course, nothing contained in this letter is intended to, nor shall it constitute, a waiver or relinquishment of any rights, claims, defenses, or causes of action possessed by Activision, all of which hereby are expressly reserved.

Sincerely,

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