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To Whom it may concern:



This letter is to certify that the voting machines identified as model SAES-3000, are manufactured by Olivetti Tecnost and have been designed by Smartmatic and Olivetti exclusively for voting purposes.

These machines have unique processing characteristics, unique software, redundant memory, the capability of producing a certified printed vote (paper trail), several security characteristics and device-networking software that guarantee the most secure and auditable environment yet designed, and that make it one of the most modern voting machines currently available in the market. The SAES-3000 machine incorporates a number of technical characteristics that are not present in any other Olivetti machine, and which correspond solely to the architecture of this advanced voting solution.

Olivetti Tecnost also manufactures terminals for automated delivery of public services provided by large organization and government agencies.

Olivetti denies any information being irresponsibly circulated about the machines or its contract with Smartmatic for the production of the S-AES-3000 machines, which is not reflected in an official and written Olivetti document.

Bosi Regards

Executive Vice President