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## **4<sup>th</sup> Generation of Lawful Intercept Hits 3GSM World Congress**

*SS8 Networks Declares 2007 a Pivotal Year in LI as International Legislative Requirements Converge to Demand Advanced Internet & Mobile Communications Interception Capabilities*

**BARCELONA, Spain -- February 12, 2007** -- SS8 Networks, a global force in lawful intercept (LI) and electronic surveillance will provide a rare insight into the world's most advanced 'communications forensics' technology at this week's 3GSM World Congress event. SS8's powerful and truly unique 4<sup>th</sup> generation LI solution set – enabled by the Xcipio™ platform – comes at a critical time when telecommunications service providers and law enforcement agencies alike are grappling to implement urgent international standards for LI against a challenging backdrop of highly organised crime/terrorism activity and extremely complex call environments.

“The perpetual evolution of real-time communications enablers like FMC, IMS and SIP creates a moving target for LI, which legislators have fought to keep pace with and providers like SS8 have responded to,” said Stephen Gleave, vice president of marketing at SS8 Networks. “The global evolution of carrier networks has led to a requirement for 4<sup>th</sup> generation LI solutions that will exceed crime-fighting expectations, enhance law enforcement capabilities and assure service providers that solutions deployed for regulatory compliance today, will remain relevant tomorrow. SS8 has clearly recognized this mandate and delivered on it.”

SS8's development of 4<sup>th</sup> generation LI was driven by the ultimate goal of providing law enforcement agencies (LEAs) with the means to build cases on the clean collection, storage and

analysis of communications evidence gathered from any network service or application. Currently, more than 90 percent of global LI activity is believed to involve mobile devices, highlighting the importance of a platform like Xcipio supporting the full range of wireless voice and data networks.

2007 is set to be a landmark year for LI technology. In Europe, the Hague Programme mandates that all EU member states must be able to more readily obtain and share information that will lead to a more secure community. Meanwhile, the US deadline for CALEA compliance, which states that all US service providers must have the means to intercept communications over VoIP and broadband, is due in May.

“This year, SS8 is building on its success in the US and Asia with an increased commitment to customers in Europe and Africa,” added Gleave. “We intend to add to the 250 carrier customers we have worldwide, by helping more service providers with their legislated obligations, while also providing intercept solutions for LEAs and governments that facilitate the successful management and prosecution of criminal cases.”

The fear of an infrastructure paradox, where the evolution of communication services outpaces the ability to thwart criminal or terrorist use, is a major concern to governments worldwide, according to Will Stofega, research manager of IDC's VoIP Services Programme. “SS8's 4<sup>th</sup> generation LI solution is a reassuring indication of how innovation can keep security forces ahead of the game.”

### **About SS8 Networks**

SS8 Networks, headquartered in San Jose, Calif., is an independent provider of carrier-grade, regulatory-compliant electronic surveillance solutions that have been deployed on all continents for the largest wireline, wireless, cable, VoIP and satellite service providers. These voice and data installations can already intercept more than 500 million subscribers, and serve over 10,000 law enforcement agents.

SS8's expertise in communications forensics ensures that intercepted traffic is securely targeted, seized, stored, transferred and analyzed, so that evidentiary chain of custody is maintained for successful criminal prosecution. For more information, please go to [www.ss8.com](http://www.ss8.com)

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