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### WORKPLACE SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL PLC

#### PRE-CLOSE ANNOUNCEMENT and TRADING UPDATE

Ahead of the announcement of the results for the six months ended 30 September 2008, the Board of Directors of WorkPlace Systems International plc ("WorkPlace") provides the following update on trading.

In difficult trading conditions, Workplace achieved a profit for the fourth consecutive six-month period. Turnover was at a similar level to the First Half of 2007 but, additionally, Workplace has generated an order book almost £1m higher (55%) at 30 September than the corresponding date in 2007.

Since timing of orders was concentrated in the final months of the First Half, the result for the full year will be below market expectations. However, the Board expects to see positive progress compared to the year ended 31 March 2008, providing that the trading conditions experienced in the last few months do not deteriorate.

Business wins during the First Half included upgrade and expansion orders from existing customers together with initial orders from major new customers in the UK and a further licence sale by WorkPlace in the USA. Net cash balances at 30 September were £2.5m.

At this time, the Interim Results for the six months to 30 September 2008 will be announced on 10 December 2008.

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