

RELEASE TO AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE ("ASX")

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USA SENATE COMMITTEE REQUEST

- 1. IMF Bentham Limited ("IMF") advises that the US Senate, through the Committee on the Judiciary, is undertaking an examination of litigation funding in the US and has requested assistance from the US office of IMF as well as from other litigation funders.
- 2. IMF intends to approach this inquiry as its first real opportunity to introduce and explain the concepts and benefits of litigation funding to the wider US business community, including improving access to justice.
- 3. Attached is a public statement issued by Bentham Capital, IMF's wholly owned US subsidiary.
- 4. For further information please contact Andrew Saker on 1800 016 464 or Ralph Sutton in our New York office on 1 (212) 488 5331.

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Statement from Bentham IMF about Congressional Inquiry into Commercial Litigation Funding

Bentham welcomes the inquiry from Senators Grassley and Cornyn. We plan to provide all information necessary to help Congress and the American people better understand our business.

Commercial litigation funding is relatively new to the United States, but has a proven track record in other Western judicial systems. It levels the playing field in commercial disputes and provides access to justice for parties without the economic means to pursue valid claims.

We are proud of our record in partnering with leading law firms, along with individuals and small and medium-sized businesses to help fund a wide variety of meritorious cases. We look forward to working with the Committee to explain how commercial litigation funding serves the legal profession, clients and the American civil justice system.

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