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ALFA International, the Global Legal Network, Strengthens in Southeast Asia with New Member Firm in Malaysia

Shook Lin & Bok will provide strong ALFA global presence in dynamic economy

(September 28, 2011) – ALFA International, the global legal network, is pleased to announce the addition of **Shook Lin & Bok** (www.shooklin.com.my) as the exclusive member law firm for ALFA International in Malaysia.

Shook Lin & Bok firm is a top tier 90-lawyer firm based in Kuala Lumpur. Many of **Shook Lin & Bok**'s lawyers have advanced degrees from major universities throughout the world. From its humble origins as a sole practitioner established in 1918, **Shook Lin & Bok** has grown into one of the top three largest and oldest law firms in Malaysia today. The firm has evolved into a leading full service firm offering a comprehensive range of legal services to clients spanning the globe. The firm has 12 major areas practice areas: Corporate; Banking and Finance; Property and Conveyancing; General and Civil Litigation; Banking and Finance Litigation; Intellectual Property, Information Technology and Licensing; Insurance, Shipping and Aviation; Employment and Labor; International and Domestic Arbitration; Tax Advisory and Compliance; Probate and Administration; and Company Secretarial Services.

According to Richard Hetke, ALFA International's CEO, "Malaysia has experienced tremendous economic growth with international trade and manufacturing playing a large part in the country's economic expansion. As such, Malaysia is a critical player in Southeast Asia, as well as the global marketplace. ALFA International is excited to welcome **Shook Lin & Bok** to its global network of member firms as the go-to resource for Malaysia and the legal/business needs within the country."

Dr. Cyrus Das (cydas@shooklin.com.my), the ALFA International Contact Partner at **Shook Lin & Bok** stated, “We are honored to be selected as the ALFA International member firm for Malaysia. Over the past nine decades, our firm has distinguished itself in its commitment to highest standards of professionalism and integrity while delivering on our mission of service with effectiveness and the greatest of efficiencies. We welcome the opportunity to work with ALFA International members and global clients seeking legal guidance in Malaysia.”

About ALFA International

ALFA International, the global legal network, (www.alfainternational.com) is an organization of independent law firms. ALFA International’s membership is comprised of 145 international law firms (85 U.S. based firms, 60 non U.S. based firms) employing over 9,000 lawyers and 10,000 other legal professionals. Member firms are located in nearly every U.S. state as well as in Canada, Mexico, Latin and South America, Southeast Asia, Africa, Australia, the Middle East, and the Pacific Rim. ALFA International’s basic objective, accomplished through its member firms and their activities, is to improve the quality and efficiency of legal services and to provide those services to clients within a reasonable and value oriented cost formula across jurisdictions around the world.