



SPIRENT COMMUNICATIONS PLC

Appointment of Non-executive Chairman

London, UK – 19 May 2017: Spirent Communications plc (“Spirent”, the “Company” or the “Group”) (LSE: SPT), a leading communications technology company, today announces that Bill Thomas will become Non-executive Chairman of the Board with effect from 19 May 2017.

Bill, who joined Spirent as a Non-executive Director on 1 December 2016, has wide-ranging experience of leading highly complex services businesses and technology-led organisations. His career has included senior management positions at Hewlett Packard Enterprise Services and serving in multiple roles over 20 years at EDS. He is currently a non-executive director of The Co-operative Bank plc, serves on the advisory board of cyber security specialist FireEye Inc.

Commenting, Jonathan Silver, Senior Independent Non-executive Director of Spirent and Acting Chairman of the Nomination Committee in respect of the Chairman search, said:

“After a rigorous search process, which involved an independent recruitment adviser, my fellow directors and I are confident that Bill has the skills and experience needed to ensure effective leadership of the Board. Bill has a strong technology background and extensive international experience which will be of great benefit to the Board and the Group.”

Commenting, Bill Thomas said:

“I am delighted to be appointed as Chairman of Spirent. It is an exciting time for the business as it focuses on its key areas of High Speed Ethernet, Network Assurance and Cyber Security Test. Spirent has market leading technology and strong, established customer relationships. It has a platform capable of delivering future growth. I look forward to working with everyone at Spirent to realise its potential.”

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About Spirent Communications plc

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communications networks, devices, services and applications. Further information about Spirent Communications plc can be found at <http://corporate.spirent.com/>.

Spirent Communications plc Ordinary Shares are traded on the London Stock Exchange (ticker: SPT). The Company operates a Level 1 American Depositary Receipt ("ADR") programme with each ADR representing four Spirent Communications plc Ordinary Shares. The ADRs trade in the US over-the-counter ("OTC") market under the symbol SPMYY and the CUSIP number is 84856M209. Spirent ADRs are quoted on the Pink OTC Markets electronic quotation service which can be found at <http://www.otcm Markets.com/marketplaces/otc-pink>.

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