

PRESS RELEASE

Complaint to the Judicial Authorities

It is hereby communicated that today Unipol Assicurazioni, in order to protect its rights and the rights of its shareholders, lodged with the Chief Prosecutor of the Public Prosecutor's Office in Bologna, Mr Enrico Di Nicola, a complaint aiming *inter alia* at identifying those who since June 2005 have undertaken a systematic campaign against the Company, its representatives and shareholders, as well as at ascertaining whether these conducts may involve any crime assumptions, such as:

- market abuse;
- bank rigging; and
- obstruction to the work of the public Supervisory Authorities,

carried out to the detriment of Unipol Assicurazioni.

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