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**D-LINK INTRODUCES FIRST SOHO NETWORK FIREWALL  
WITH UNIFIED THREAT MANAGEMENT (UTM)  
FOR RELIABLE, TRIPLE-PROTECTION SECURITY**

*D-Link® NetDefend™ SOHO UTM Firewall Performs Multiple Defense Functions in a Single Device; Helps Users Effortlessly Maintain a Healthy Network*

**Johannesburg, 24 August 2009** – D-Link, the end-to-end computer networking solutions provider for consumer and business, today introduced the first high-speed SOHO network firewall with Unified Threat Management (UTM), a comprehensive security solution that provides a reliable, triple-protection defense against virus attacks, unauthorized intrusions and harmful content.

Designed for the small office/home office (SOHO), the D-Link NetDefend™ SOHO Unified Threat Management Firewall (DFL-160) is a robust, yet affordable triple-protection network defense gateway that monitors network traffic and actively blocks dangerous content such as viruses and worms to help protect private information and prevent damage caused by hazardous applications, malicious hackers and other threats.

The DFL-160 offers an easy-to-use web-based control panel to set up and manage a healthy and secure network. The device is housed in a compact and unobtrusive desktop chassis that is easily incorporated into an existing network. By placing the DFL-160 between a PC and the Internet, the firewall keeps the network secure and reliable by ensuring that only properly verified files can reach the desktop.

With a gigabit Ethernet interface that ensures high-speed performance and facilitates interoperability with existing network hardware, the DFL-160 provides firewall throughput of up to 70 megabits-per-second (Mbps) and virtual private network (VPN) speeds of up to 25Mbps. Unique to SOHO class firewalls is a dedicated Gigabit DMZ port to support servers that need to appear as external facing devices. Additionally, it can perform Intrusion prevention system (IPS) and antivirus scanning functions simultaneously without delaying firewall and VPN performance.

"Today's continuously shifting security environment presents a challenge for SOHO users with limited IT capabilities. With the DFL-160, even the most novice user can set up and maintain a healthy network," said Tobie van Schalkwyk, D-Link South Africa Country Manager. "This latest member of the D-Link NetDefend family provides a reliable and affordable security gateway with the sought-after UTM features found in more expensive Enterprise products."

The NetDefend SOHO UTM Firewall offers users the convenience of safely accessing the network when away from the home or office by connecting to a pre-configured VPN account. Cable and DSL users can simply access the system using a dynamic IP address.

DFL-160 employs D-Link Green™ technology for conserving energy to automatically recognize port activity and cable length and adjust power usage accordingly.

The DFL-160 maintains separate databases for defense functions of intrusion prevention (Endeavor Security), antivirus scanning (Kaspersky Lab), and content filtering (ContentKeeper Technologies). D-Link's NetDefend SOHO UTM subscription service, which offers free updates for the first year, ensures that these databases remain consistent, accurate, and up-to-date.

### **Key Features and Benefits**

- User-friendly design
- Gigabit interface for maximum throughput
- Gigabit DMZ
- Virus scanning
- Intrusion detection and prevention system (IPS)
- Dynamic web content filtering
- E-mail security
- IPSec VPN for secure remote connections
- D-Link Green power-saving technology

### **Price and Availability**

D-Link's new NetDefend SOHO UTM Firewall will only be available in Q4 throughout the company's vast network of D-Link's value-added resellers, solution providers and distributors.

## **END OF ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **About D-Link**

D-Link is the global leader in connectivity for small, medium and large enterprise business networking. The company is an award-winning designer, developer and manufacturer of networking, broadband, digital electronics, voice, data and video communications solutions for the digital home, Small Office/Home Office (SOHO), Small to Medium Business (SMB), and Workgroup to Enterprise environments. With millions of networking and connectivity products manufactured and shipped, D-Link is a dominant market participant and price/performance leader in the networking and communications market.

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