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PHARMING GROUP NV €70,000,000 6.875% CONVERTIBLE BONDS DUE 2012: COMMITMENT received FOR CONVERSION ON ENHANCED TERMS OF 70% OF OUTSTANDING BONDS AND NOTICE OF EXTENSION FOR LOGISTICAL PURPOSES UNTIL 13 OCTOBER 2009

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**Leiden, The Netherlands, 30 September 2009.** Further to Pharming Group NV's ("Pharming") (NYSE Euronext: PHARM) invitation to holders ("Bondholders") of its outstanding €70,000,000 6.875% convertible bonds due 2012 (of which €35,800,000 is currently outstanding) to apply for conversion on enhanced terms which was announced on 21 September, Pharming received commitment for converting in accordance with the terms of the Invitation from Bondholders representing 70% in nominal amount of the Bonds currently outstanding, exceeding the conversion threshold of 60% which constitutes a condition precedent to the Invitation.

At the request of Bondholders and for the purpose of settlement of the Applications for Conversion, the Offer Period (as defined in the Invitation Memorandum) has been extended by two weeks until 13 October 2009. Bondholders who have not yet returned an Application for Conversion and who wish to participate in the Invitation may do so by completing an Application for Conversion. Such Application for Conversion must be completed and received by Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, in its capacity as Paying and Conversion Agent in relation to the Bonds (the "Paying and Conversion Agent"), by 4:00pm London time on 13 October 2009, unless such period for the Conversion is earlier terminated by Pharming. Previously submitted Applications for Conversion will be accepted for conversion only once Pharming has actually received valid Applications for Conversion totalling 60% or more in nominal amount of the Bonds currently outstanding. All subsequent valid Applications for Conversion shall be accepted for conversion promptly upon receipt. Pharming confirms to Bondholders who have previously submitted Applications for Conversion or who will submit Applications for Conversion prior to 13 October 2009 that, in the event that valid Applications for Conversion totalling 60% or more in nominal amount of the Bonds currently outstanding have not been received by 13 October 2009, Bonds which have otherwise been blocked pursuant to Condition 5(G) of the Form of Application for Conversion, but which have not been converted, will not be required to remain blocked after 16 October 2009, or if earlier, 3 business days following early termination of the extended Offer Period by Pharming. In any event, Pharming will inform Bondholders by no later than 4:00pm London time on 16 October 2009 of the results of the extension of the Offer Period.

The Bonds are listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's Euro MTF Market. The Bonds have been accepted for clearance through the Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear systems with a Common Code of 032760783 and an International Securities Identification Number of XS0327607833.

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Pharming Group NV is developing innovative products for the treatment of genetic disorders, ageing diseases, specialty products for surgical indications, intermediates for various applications and nutritional products. Pharming has two products in late stage development - Rhucin® for Hereditary Angioedema and human Lactoferrin for use in food products and one product in early stage clinical development - Prodarsan® for Cockayne Syndrome. The advanced technologies of Pharming include innovative platforms for the production of protein therapeutics, technology and processes for the purification and formulation of these products, as well as technology in the field of DNA repair (via DNage). Additional information is available on the Pharming website, http://www.pharming.com.

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