



ANNOUNCEMENT

ARISTOCRAT TO DEFEND US PROCEEDINGS REGARDING ALLEGED PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Aristocrat's Australian and US subsidiaries has been served with a complaint in the United States Nevada District Court on behalf of a US based individual.

The plaintiff alleges, amongst other things, that Aristocrat's Hyperlink progressive jackpot gaming machines infringe a US patent.

The plaintiff is seeking unspecified compensation and damages against Aristocrat and third party defendants.

Aristocrat will vigorously defend all of the allegations made by the plaintiff.

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