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### **INTERPLAY ANNOUNCES MDK2 FOR SEGA DREAMCAST (BioWare Develops Sequel For 'The Ultimate Gaming Machine.')**

Interplay Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ:IPLY) announced today that their first Sega Dreamcast title, **MDK2** will enjoy it's showcase at the European Computer Trade Show (ECTS) in London, September 5<sup>th</sup>. The sequel to last year's award winning, sci-fi action thriller, **MDK2** hosts an array of dynamic new features and gaming technology. First in the series of upcoming Interplay Dreamcast titles, **MDK2** will take advantage of the high performance graphics, audio, and CPU technology of Sega's newest system while offering players a standard of quality that redefines the experience of console gaming. The title is expected to release for both the PC and Dreamcast simultaneously in January 2000.

**MDK2** is currently being developed by BioWare Corp. the team who brought you 1998's "Best RPG of the Year, **Baldurs Gate.**" **MDK2** expands upon the legacy of action, intrigue and humour established by its predecessor, MDK. Players will return to the strange, dark and eclectic world inhabited by Kurt Hectic, Max the robotic dog, and the eccentric Dr. Hawkins. The result will be a surreal and cinematic romp through nine levels of vast 3D environments and engaging story-lines. **MDK2** promises superlative graphic detail, stunning visuals and dramatic gameplay.

"BioWare is aiming to create the ultimate single-player experience with **MDK2,**" states Greg Zeschuk, President and Joint-CEO of Canadian developer BioWare. "We're carefully crafting a tight, but humorous, world inhabited by the most frightening and entertaining creatures yet seen in a 3D game. The solid technology and riveting story will keep players compelled to play out the game to its lengthy completion. **MDK2** is the kind of game you won't want to put down!"

**MDK2** uses the "Omen" engine, a true multi-platform game engine developed internally by the team at BioWare. While both the engine and the game are being developed for the PC and Dreamcast, BioWare is taking great care to provide maximum quality for both platforms. Perhaps the most powerful and unique features of the Omen engine include a realistic lighting engine which provides diffused and specula highlights and an animation-driven development system which allows segments of the game world to be dynamically modified in real-time.

Additional features include the realistic object physics and complex scripted AI which provide inhabitants with intelligent interaction and mannerisms. The **MDK2** story-line picks up at the conclusion of the first game, with the evil Stream-riding

aliens poised to re-invade earth. The game this time allows players to control not only Kurt, but also Max and Dr. Hawkins, in an effort to fend off the aliens' attack. Each player has a unique set of powers and individual set of weapons. Kurt can once again utilize his coil suits' sniper mode and powerful ribbon chute while Max and Dr. Hawkins wield their own novel weaponry. **MDK2** will keep players glued to their seats as they commandeer the trio in a quest to rid earth of its alien invaders, once and for all.

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