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## SEGA ANNOUNCES LATEST TITLES FOR THE WII VIRTUAL CONSOLE

Six SEGA MEGADRIVE® classics to be available for download on the Wii<sup>™</sup> shop channel

**LONDON** (March 2007) – SEGA Europe Ltd. today announced six titles from the *SEGA MEGADRIVE*® library, *Sword of Vermilion, Bio-Hazard Battle* and *Streets of Rage* are now available to download on the Wii<sup>™</sup> Shop Channel, whilst *Sonic Spinball, VECTORMAN* and *The Story of Thor* will be available from 6<sup>th</sup> April 2007. Prices start at 800 Wii<sup>™</sup> Points for SEGA MEGADRIVE titles. Wii Points can be purchased online or at select retailers.

**Sword of Vermilion -** When the evil wizard-king, Tsarkon, invaded Excalabria with his massive army, King Erik V had no choice but to turn his infant son over to his most trusted warrior, Blade. As his castle burned, King Erik also gave Blade a valuable, ancient family heirloom for his son, the Ring of Wisdom. He asked Blade to leave at once in the hopes that the young heir to the throne would survive. Blade raised Erik VI as his own, knowing one day the prince would fulfill the prophecy of the Malaga fortune tellers. Now, eighteen years later, Erik VI returns to Excalabria to avenge his father's death and reclaim the kingdom.

**Bio-Hazard Battle -** An army of biogenetic mutants have gone haywire, terrorising the world and putting the future of the planet Avaron in jeopardy. It's up to you to defeat the mutant menaces and restore order before it's too late! Through eight levels of intense action, you'll be up against some of the nastiest, most vile creatures you've ever seen from mega amoebas and nuclear crabs to electroworms and gut-grabbing insects. You'll have

four different Bioship fighter crafts to choose from, each with unique handling capabilities and weapon systems. Hop into your fighter craft and save Avaron from certain doom!

Streets of Rage - A top secret crime organisation has taken over what used to be a happy, peaceful metropolis and now no one is safe. Rampant crime and violence are commonplace after the syndicate bought off government officials and the majority of the police force with lucrative bribes. Frustrated by the corruption on their force, a group of young officers quit their jobs with a plan to take back the city in their own way. With special hand-to-hand combat abilities, Adam Hunter, Axel Stone and Blaze Fielding step onto the Streets of Rage to risk it all to save their city, even if it means putting their lives on the line.

**Sonic Spinball** - With his Veg-O-Fortress built high up on an active volcano, Dr. Eggman is turning all the cute, furry creatures of Planet Mobius into robots! Sonic rushes to save the animals and quickly discover the only way to stop the mechanising madness is to trigger a volcanic eruption. Sonic knows this can be done by removing the Chaos Emeralds that keep the volcano stable. However, Dr. Eggman is also aware of the fragile relationship that exists between the Emeralds and the mountain, and he's set up an elaborate Pinball Defense System to make sure the precious jewels don't go anywhere.

**VECTORMAN** - In the year 2049, mankind is forced to abandon an over-polluted Earth to seek out other planets for colonisation, while the mechanised Orbots stay behind to clean up the mess. When the Orbot leader, WarHead, starts blowing a few circuits and a war among the mechanical brethren, a sludge barge pilot named Vectorman is the only one willing to step up and fight him. You'll morph into a speeding train, a power drill, a mechanical fish, or a mighty dune buggy in this warfare adventure. Equip yourself with weapons, pick up morphs and power-ups to defeat WarHead and restore peace on Earth.

**The Story of Thor** - You are the young Prince Ali in a desperate fight to defeat the evil that is threatening your island empire, Oasis. Long ago, a war raged between a wicked

sorcerer who used a silver "armlet" to unleash destruction on the island and a wizard who defied him with a gold armlet that could summon four powerful spirits. Both armlets had been lost until recently when someone unearthed the silver band and began using it for their evil gain. Just when you think all is lost, you discover the precious gold armlet and finally have the power to combat the wearer of the silver band...but can you stop them in time?

The Wii Shop Channel serves as the Wii's online storefront, where visitors can redeem Wii Points to download games and other items. Users need a high-speed internet connection to access the Wii Shop Channel. Users can buy Wii Points at retail or with a credit card online from the Wii Shop Channel and redeem their Wii Points to download the classic games.

For more information on upcoming Virtual Console titles from SEGA, please visit the official Web site at <a href="https://www.sega.com">www.sega.com</a>. For assets, please visit the SEGA Press site at <a href="https://www.sega-press.com">www.sega-press.com</a>.

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