GRUPPO SANPAOLO IMI

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Mario Greco Managing Director of Assicurazioni Internazionali di Previdenza

Turin, 4 April 2005 – The Board of Directors of SANPAOLO IMI, meeting today, appointed

Mario Greco as managing Director of A.I.P.

The choice of Dott. Greco is in the context of strenghtening the Group's insurance business in

line with the objective of preparing for the important challenges in the sector.

The Board of Directors also appointed Mario Greco as member of the Board of Directors and

Executive Committee of Banca Fideuram. Both nomination will be subjected to the

companies' respective Shareholder's Meetings.

Mario Greco was born in Naples on 16<sup>th</sup> June 1959.

He got a degree in Economics Magna cum Laude at the University of Rome; he later received a Master in International Economics and Monetary Theory at Rochester University, N.Y.

He was then partner leader in the Italian insurance sector of McKInsey & Company until 1994. He joined Ras in 1995 and became Managing Director and General Manager of the company.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of Pirelli, Unicredito, Fastweb, Ifil and Indesit.