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Agreement

On the initiative of JVIA and its Chairman Mr. Tadao Sumi the following Associations agreed in 2001 to install an International Statistics on Vacuum Technology:

JVIA Japan Vacuum Industry Association

AVEM International Association of Vacuum Equipment Manufacturers International

EVTA European Vacuum Technology Association

Co-operating Association

SEMI Semiconductor Equipment Manufacturers International

GOAL

It is the common goal of the participating vacuum industry associations and their members to gather global statistics on vacuum product sales (by product for each geographic region and market segment) on a regular and frequent basis using a standardized global format. At a later date it is planned to extend the global statistics to vacuum system sales as well.

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The participating associations agree:

- 1. to support all activities to the best of one's knowledge.
- 2. to manage this Statistic in a proper and confidential way.
- 3. to respect the common Rules and Procedures (annex).
- 4. to consider the needs of the global vacuum industry and the member companies.
- 5. to start with the Statistic in 2002
- 6. to have not less than one meeting a year in order to discuss the further proceedings.

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