

# IMC Welcomes Approval of Medical Cannabis Exports by Israeli Government

- Israeli Ministry of Economy signed a Free Export Order for medical cannabis products
- Government to begin accepting medical cannabis export applications in 30 days
- New export order significantly increases international market potential for the IMC brand

TORONTO and GLIL YAM, Israel, May 14, 2020 /CNW/ - IM Cannabis Corp. (the "Company" or "IMC") (CSE:IMCC), one of the world's pioneering medical cannabis companies with operations in Israel and across Europe, is pleased to announce that the Israeli Ministry of Economy signed a Free Export Order for medical cannabis products on May 13, 2020. In 30 days, licensed producers of medical cannabis in Israel will be able to apply for an export permit to ship product to international markets, according to the Ministry of Health, subject to meeting certain criteria. The Free Export Order implements the Israeli government's January 2019 decision to approve medical cannabis exports from Israel. Focus Medical Herbs Ltd. ("Focus Medical"), a licensed producer in Israel with which IMC has exclusive commercial agreements to sell medical cannabis products under the IMC brand, will apply for an export permit as soon as possible.

IMC is at a strategic advantage for international export from Israel due to its ownership of Adjupharm GmbH ("Adjupharm"), which is fully licensed for the import, export and distribution of medical cannabis in Germany. In the long-term, Adjupharm will act as a hub for the import and distribution of medical cannabis across the European Union. Furthermore, IMC-branded products to be imported into the European Union from Israel will be of medical cannabis strains using Focus Medical's proprietary genetics that have been in development for over ten years and have become synonymous with quality, purity and consistency.

"The advancement of the export market for medical cannabis products from Israel is a very significant development for IMC's international strategy and its goal of becoming one of the leading medical cannabis brands in the world," **said Oren Shuster, Chief Executive Officer of IMC.** "Once the export of medical cannabis products begins, the IMC brand will be able to leverage proprietary genetics developed by Focus Medical and add another source of supply to the large and growing market in the European Union. The ability to export from Israel is a milestone we have been preparing for in recent years and we are now more ready than ever to execute on our international strategy by developing a world class medical cannabis brand."

## About IM Cannabis Corp.

IMC is an international medical cannabis company, and a well-known Israeli brand of medical cannabis products. In Europe, IMC has established a medical cannabis operation first with its distribution subsidiary in Germany and augmented by strategic agreements with certified EU-GMP Standard suppliers, making it one of the only medical cannabis companies with fully integrated operations in Europe. IMC's core Israeli business includes offering branding, know-how and other intellectual property-related services to the Israeli medical cannabis market. Its key assets in Israel include commercial agreements with licensed producers and an option to purchase licensed entities. IMC has developed proprietary processes in its operations and is active in developing and investing in innovative technology for global medical cannabis consumers leveraging its reputation and expertise in the medical cannabis sector.

## About Focus Medical Herbs Ltd.

Focus Medical is one of eight original licensed producers of medical cannabis in Israel and has over

10 years of experience growing high quality medical cannabis in the Israeli market. Focus Medical has an exclusive commercial agreement with IMC to distribute its production under the IMC brand. In addition to its own capacity, Focus Medical has supply agreements with two other cultivators for additional supply using its proprietary genetics and for sale under the IMC brand.

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