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Dear Sirs

In accordance with Section 392 of the Companies Act 1985 we give notice that we are resigning as auditors of STRATEC Medical Limited with immediate effect.

In accordance with Section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office as auditors of the Company that we consider should be brought to the attention of the Company's members or creditors.

Yours faithfully

PricewaterhouseCoopers

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