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WELL GO ACQUIRES NORTH AMERICAN RIGHTS TO TAKASHI SHIMUZU'S <u>TORMENTED AND THE SHOCK LABYRINTH</u>

TORMENTED WILL PREMIERE IN VENICE FOLLOWED BY A COMPETITION SLOT IN SITGES

PLANO, TEXAS. (August xx, 2011) -- Well Go USA has preemptively acquired all North American distribution rights including theatrical, DVD, Digital, VOD and Television to the upcoming 3D horror thriller *TORMENTED from Hong Kong*/Netherlands-based Fortissimo Films. They have simultaneously also acquired all rights to the 2010 horror classic THE SHOCK LABYRINTH. Both films were directed by edgy auteur Takashi Shimizu, best known for the original 2002 Japanese hit *The Grudge (Juon)* and the 2003 sequel *The Grudge 2 (Juon 2)* as well as the US remakes of both films. The original film and the English language remakes grossed over \$270 million worldwide.

TORMENTED will premiere at the upcoming Venice Film Festival in Official Selection Midnight. It has just been announced that it also has been selected for Official Competition at the Sitges Film Festival, the world's foremost fantasy and horror film festival to be held in October this year.

The deal was brokered between Doris Pfardrescher, President Well Go USA Entertainment and Winnie Lau, EVP, Sales & Acquisitions, Fortissimo Films.

"We are looking to push the envelope and bring unique filmed entertainment from all corners of the world to the North American market," said Doris Pfardrescher. "We are excited to have secured rights to these films directed by the very talented, visionary director Takashi Shimizu that will no doubt resonate with the huge and passionate genre fan base."

Fortissimo's Lau added, " In the last few years Well Go has established a very strong reputation in North America for its exciting selection of films combining great marketing with great distribution. We are thrilled that Fortissimo's first two 3D titles will be in their excellent hands and we are looking forward to strong results across all media."

TORMENTED 3D

TORMENTED centers on a young boy whose family seems to be unraveling around him. His sister is grappling with the reality of life or death, while his storybook illustrating father walks a line with insanity. The situation intensifies when the boy manifests a dangerous friendship with a stuffed toy rabbit that comes to life. Is he crazy or are they all delusional? Shimizu ventures

once more into the terrifying corners of the mind where the lines between fact and fiction are blurred. This film marks his first collaboration with award winning director of photography Christopher Doyle who has previously worked with many other noted Asian directors including Wong Kar Wai.

THE SHOCK LABYRINTH 3D

THE SHOCK LABYRINTH (2010) marked Japan's first foray into the world of live-action 3-D feature films. The story follows a group of teenagers dealing with the disappearance of one of them, Yuki, at an amusement park's ghost house. On a rainy day 10 years later, Yuki inexplicably returns. However, no sooner is she united with her former friends than she collapses, and the group rushes Yuki to a nearby hospital. But after checking in, they discover that things are not quite as they seem at the medical center. As the night wears on, the group sinks deeper and deeper into the events from a decade ago that led to Yuki's disappearance.

About Well Go USA

Well Go USA, Inc. (www.wellgousa.com) is a theatrical and home entertainment distribution company that specializes in bringing top content, including the best in Asian Cinema to North America. As a leader in independent film distribution, Well Go's titles can be seen across a variety of formats and platforms including in theaters, on DVD, Blu-ray, digital (video-on-demand, electronic sell-through and streaming) and broadcast television through cable and satellite. Since 1994, Well Go has acquired and released over 2,000 titles worldwide. In 2005, Well Go expanded its distribution to North America where five to ten titles are released monthly. Well Go USA's corporate headquarters are in Plano, TX with offices in Taiwan and China.

About Fortissimo Films

Fortissimo Films (<u>www.fortissimofilms.com</u>) is an international film, television and home entertainment sales organization specializing in the production, presentation, promotion and distribution of unique, award winning and innovative feature films from independent film makers from all over the world.

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