

3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 ASX Announcement

# South America / Latin America Distribution for IOT Group

## 1. Highlights

- ✓ IOT has signed an agreement with Maximum Export Import (MEI) (www.maximumexportimport.com) to manage IOT's Sales representation and distributors in Latin America the territories include Mexico, Argentina, Brazil and Chile.
- ✓ Latin America has an estimated population of over 600 million people with more than 200 million smartphone users, close to 385 million Internet users and over 250 million Facebook users. \*
- ✓ IOT expects immediate Sales of the ROVA and AirSelfie, with deliveries in time for the Holiday Season 2017.
- ✓ Besides the typical "Bricks and Mortar" retailers, Latin America has a growing number of online retailers that sell consumer electronics products allowing for immediate penetration into the Latin American market.

## 2. Background

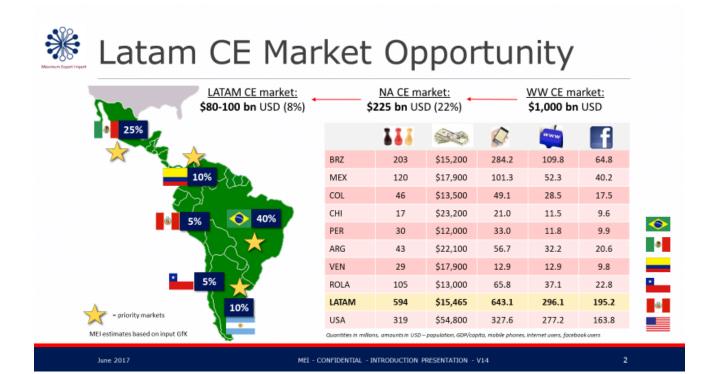
The IOT Group Limited (ASX: IOT) ("IOT Group" or "the Company") has signed an agreement with one of Latin America's better consumer electronic sales representative companies - Maximum Export Import LLC ("MEI") to manage the market development of the Company's ROVA Selfie Drone and AirSelfie products in Latin America.

MEI is a group of industry veterans with consumer electronics, manufacturer and retail background, who, in partnership with select distributors, import and distribute Consumer Electronics products to major Latin American countries including Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Mexico.

MEI is led by Mr. Jan-luc Blakborn, who's background is in business development and International P&L management for Philips, Compaq, HP and Sonos.

Latin America is a fast growing consumer electronics market. With a growing middle class in all major markets, Latin America is becoming an increasingly popular growth market for producers of consumer electronics devices, household appliances, new (online) media services, etc.





### **Key Latin American Market elements: \***

- Growth of middle class tens of millions of "new" consumers added
- Strong urbanization top of markets concentrated in ±10 mega cities
- Young population (±45% <25 yrs.) Millennials are key (influential) consumers</li>
- High penetration of mobile phones (>100%) the (smart) phone is becoming "everything"
- Smartphone penetration is around 50% huge upside potential for "attach" products
- High growth of mobile broadband service providers key suppliers in B2C space
- Over-indexing in use of social media (Facebook: >250M) talk direct to end user!
- Health (obesity + growing elderly) becoming issue/concern = opportunity
- Online consumption of services (music, video) increasing fast (Netflix, Spotify)
- Online retail growing fast (but from small base) Brazil leads, rest follows
- Latin America will see >200M of new smartphone users in coming years

# **About Maximum Export Import (MEI):**

MEI provides Product Sales Representation. Through recent years MEI has built a network of connections with major retail partners and distributors in the various consumer electronics, consumer IT and consumer appliances markets. MEI has an experienced sales force with deep connections, account management experience, and coverage in all the major Latin America markets. www.maximumexportimport.com



### 3. Commentary

#### Managing Partner of MEI, Mr. Jan-luc Blakborn comments:

"The AirSelfie and Rova Selfie Camera are unique consumer electronic products that will suit the social aspects and interests of the Latin American lifestyle. Latin America has over 600 million people that are very social, love sport, entertainment and love to take Selfies. At this stage, the AirSelfie and Rova Selfie Camera are a category of their own, being a device that can take Selfies. The IOT range of Selfie Camera Products will have the "First to Market Advantage" in this NEW Selfie Category. MEI believes that these Products will be well received by Latin American retailers and consumers."

#### **Executive Director of IOT Group, Mr. Sean Neylon comments:**

"IOT has engaged one of the best Consumer Electronics representative companies in Latin America to represent its Products. The Consumer Electronics experience within MEI will deliver immediate Sales to IOT. The Selfie Camera market should fit well with the social lifestyle of the Latin American people. IOT now has sales representation in North America and Latin America selling IOT Products in Q4 - 2017 and into 2018 and beyond. The IOT Board believes it will see improved sales results from this engagement. Having very experienced teams in Latin America and North America is an enormous achievement for IOT heading into Q4 festive season and Christmas. These engagements will result in healthy Sales for IOT.

\* (MEI estimates based eMarketer and Internetworldstats.com)

## **About IOT Group Limited**



Website: www.theiotgroup.com

IoT Group has tapped into global niche markets by adapting and enhancing existing trend products and making them more affordable, useful and innovative for consumers, in particular, the IOT Group is designing and developing a range of drones that looks to create a new category in the retail drones space.

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# All references to IOT Group includes its subsidiaries.

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These statements are based on an assessment of present economic and operating conditions, and on a number of assumptions regarding future events and actions that are expected to take place.

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