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**GTT Group, Inc. Releases March 2018 Patent Transaction Market Outlook Including  
the Q4 2017 Patent Market Index**

Portland, Oregon (March 30, 2018) – Global Technology Transfer Group, Inc. (GTT Group), the world leader in strategic patent analysis and patent transaction services, today makes available the Q4 2017 Patent Market Index (PMI®) and Patent Licensing Index (PLI®) in the March 2018 Patent Transaction Market Report.

The PMI® tracked with its typical Q4 decline, but dropped an unusual 15% to a two year low of 82.51. The monitored secondary patent assignments dropped to 1,810, within the range of seven of the last nine quarters following Q3's second highest recorded rise in two years.

“The Q4 2017 15% drop in the PMI® is unusual, but tracks with the traditional Q4 transaction recording lag and the lower number of large transactions seen currently” says Michael Lubitz, CEO and Chairman of GTT Group. “The PMI should return to the 90 plus range during the first half of 2018.”

Allied Secutiry Trust (AST) became the leader in the Most Active Deal Maker acquirers of Q4 2017; Knapp Investment Company, Red Hat, and RPX also made the list. Hitachi led the list of sellers, followed by notables such as AT&T, IBM, Panasonic, and Sharp.

Obtain a complete copy of the Patent Transaction Market Report through a complimentary subscription to the Quarterly Patent Transaction Market Report and Patent Market Index by visiting [www.gttgrp.com/subscribe-to-quarterly-report/](http://www.gttgrp.com/subscribe-to-quarterly-report/). Immediate updates on specific patent deals are also available using GTT Group's Patent Deal Alert Service through subscription at [www.gttgrp.com/patent-deal-alert-service-subscription/](http://www.gttgrp.com/patent-deal-alert-service-subscription/). GTT Group makes this information available as a courtesy to the community.

**About the PMI® and PLI®**

The Patent Market Index (PMI®) tracks patent transaction activity and patent marketplace trends, and is reported quarterly in the Patent Transaction Market Report (PTMR). The Patent Licensing Index (PLI®) tracks activity among publicly traded patent licensing companies to provide comparative performance indicators, and is also reported quarterly in the PTMR.



About Global Technology Transfer Group, Inc.

Global Technology Transfer Group, Inc. is a patent transaction advisory & consultancy firm. GTT Group combines core competencies in patent analysis, valuation, and market knowledge to deliver unparalleled results. The company's corporate headquarters are in Portland, Oregon.

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