

Confident Canadian CEO Kicks Off Quantum Hackathon With \$100,000 Prize

TORONTO, ON – November 12, 2019. 01 Communique Laboratory Inc. (the "Company") (ONE:TSX-V) launched its quantum hackathon tackling the threat of quantum computing. Cybersecurity companies, computer science students and hackers have begun challenging the Company's 'quantum-safe' encryption in a \$100,000 hackathon.

On November 6th, the Company hosted an innovation celebration event with technology presentations from industry experts in artificial intelligence and cyber security. Andrew Cheung, 01 Communique's CEO, was one of the presenters addressing business people, students, and hackers on the threat quantum computers present with respect to keeping your data safe. He revealed the purpose behind the hackathon and why he is confident enough to offer a \$100,000 prize.

Andrew Cheung enthusiastically described the hackathon challenge, "Our hackathon will show the world that our encryption is rock-solid. We are the only Canadian company and the first post-quantum encryption to offer a prize of \$100,000. We have invested over three years in developing our IronCAP technology with a development team that has combined 50 years of experience in code-based encryption. We are very confident that our technology will withstand any attempt by any participant to crack the code in our hackathon."

The Company expects contestants from around the world to challenge its quantum-safe encryption. The hackathon is available online globally. Anyone to who has a Google or Facebook account can sign up to participate. Contestants will be given 30 days to crack IronCAP's code. A cash prize of \$100,000 will be awarded to the first person (if there is any) who is able to break the encryption. A paper describing the method used to crack the encryption is required to be submitted by the participant.

Innovative people working in tech along with researchers, computer scientists, students and hackers are encouraged to sign up for the hackathon. Signup will be accepted online at <u>www.ironcap.ca</u> beginning November 11, 2019 and the contest closes on December 12, 2019. Result will be announced on or about December 16, 2019.

About 01 Communique

01 Communique Laboratory Inc. (TSX-V:ONE) is focused on cybersecurity with its IronCAP patent-pending cryptographic system designed to protect users and enterprises against the ever-evolving illegitimate and malicious means of gaining access to their data today and in the future with the introduction of powerful quantum computers. Based on improved code-based encryption it is designed to be faster and more secure than current standards. IronCAP operates on conventional computer systems so users are protected today while at the same time being secure enough to safeguard against future attacks coming with the introduction of quantum computers. Along with IronCAP the Company's legacy business provides customers with a suite of secure remote access services and products. These legacy products are protected in the U.S.A. by its patents #6,928,479 / #6,938,076 / #8,234,701; in Canada by its patents #2,309,398 / #2,524,039 and in Japan by its patent #4,875,094. For more information

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