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## WORLD MARTIAL ARTS GAMES ATTRACTS MIKE CHAT

**VICTORIA, B.C. CANADA, June 2, 2006** – The 2006 World Martial Arts Games Hosting Committee is pleased to announce that **Mike Chat** (Chaturantabut) has agreed to take part in the 2006 World Martial Arts Games set for Bear Mountain Arena August 18, 19, 20, 2006.

Mike Chat, who starred as the Blue Ranger in Power Rangers Lightspeed Rescue, is recognized for his martial arts prowess, worldwide. His movie and T.V. appearances include Austin Powers 3, Big Fat Liar, The Time Machine, Power Rangers, Buffy the Vampire Slayer, Charmed, Angel, Nash Bridges, Martial Law, Mortal Kombat Conquest, WMAC Masters, and the internationally award winning Rexona, Sure, and Degree ads. Mike Chat has been featured on every major U.S. television network, appeared on the cover of 14 of the world's largest martial arts magazines, and conducted over 300 seminars in North & South America, Europe and Asia.

Mike Chat will conduct a full-day XMA martial arts seminar and take part in the Opening Ceremonies slated for Friday, August 18. He will also be on hand later in the day to sign autographs and take pictures. Further details regarding Mike Chat's visit to follow.

Mike Chat pioneered XMA (Extreme Martial Arts) and the XMA Performance Training Program and since then XMA has taken the martial arts industry by storm. Today there are over 600 XMA & ATA Xtreme schools worldwide. XMA team members have achieved starring roles in major motion films – The Adventures of Sharkboy & Lava Girl, Spy Kids 3, Cheaper By the Dozen 2, Jackie Chan's House of Fury and his newest film Rob B Hood along with appearances on network talk shows and NBA half-time demonstrations.

Xtreme Martial Arts division categories have been integrated into every international competitive circuit and are televised by ESPN2. The Discovery Channel's award winning documentary special, XMA Xtreme Martial Arts, has been translated into over 35 languages and viewed in over 170 countries worldwide since its release in May 2004.

Mike Chat's *Team Revolution* sponsored by XMA is currently the #1 Junior Team in the world.

"We are very pleased to be bringing Mike Chat to Victoria for the 2006 World Martial Arts Games," said Ken Marchtaler, President of the Canadian Martial Arts Association and Chairman of the Organizing Committee. "Mr. Chat is a first-class gentleman, with an incredible list of accomplishments. His seminars are action-packed and his performances, unbelievable. He will definitely add excitement to the Games."

The World Martial Arts Games Movement is a non-profit society formed with the goal of uniting the world of martial arts through annual competition. Its role is to promote top-level sport as well as sport for all in accordance with the World Martial Arts Games Charter. It ensures the regular celebration of the World Martial Arts Games and strongly encourages sport ethics and the protection of athletes.

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