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CRYPTOLOGIC APPOINTS MICHAEL STARZYNSKI AS CTO
Senior technology executive expands leadership team,
focused on innovation and customer success

March 17, 2003 (Toronto, ON) - CryptoLogic Inc., a leading software developer to the Internet gaming and e-commerce industries, announced today the appointment of Michael Starzynski as Chief Technology Officer. Starzynski has more than 20 years of global information technology experience in both the telecommunication and financial services sectors at some of North America's largest companies as well as leading entrepreneurial organizations.

"Michael Starzynski is an impressive professional and an excellent addition to CryptoLogic's executive team," said Lewis Rose, CryptoLogic's President and CEO. "A proven technology expert, Michael brings to CryptoLogic a wealth of experience in product strategies and international client management. Michael's customer focus will be valuable in aligning innovation with customer success as CryptoLogic leverages its blue chip, global client base to capitalize on the potential of online gaming worldwide."

Starzynski complements the technical leadership of Serge Bourenkov, Vice President of Research and System Architecture, who has been instrumental in developing the pioneering spirit at CryptoLogic almost since inception.

Starzynski has served in senior technology roles with market-leading organizations including Financial Models Company, CGI Canada and a 13-year career at Bell Canada, Canada's leading telecommunication service provider. Most recently as Chief Technology Officer at Financial Models Company, Starzynski managed a multi-million-dollar product development strategy and was instrumental in delivering a new integrated product line designed to optimize the way global investment management firms manage their customers. During his tenure at Bell Canada, he spearheaded several technological modernization programs, which enabled Bell Canada to compete head-on in a rapidly changing business environment.

"CryptoLogic offers an exciting opportunity to work with the global leader in online gaming software," said Starzynski. "I was attracted to CryptoLogic's exceptional reputation for trusted, innovative technologies, the caliber of the company's development team, and the commitment to a customer-focused growth strategy. That's the reputation we will build on as we expand the company and seize new product opportunities that create value for CryptoLogic, its shareholders, and its customers."

About CryptoLogic (www.cryptologic.com)

Focused on integrity and innovation, CryptoLogic Inc. is the leading software development company serving the Internet gaming market. The company's proprietary technologies enable secure, high-speed financial transactions over the Internet. CryptoLogic-developed software has processed more than US\$11 billion in online transactions since inception in 1996 for some of the best-known, international blue chip customers in interactive gaming.

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CryptoLogic, ranked #1 in the Profit 100 listing of Canada's fastest growing companies, continues to develop state-of-the-art Internet software applications for both the electronic commerce and Internet gaming industries. WagerLogic Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of CryptoLogic, is responsible for the licensing of its gaming software and services to customers around the world.

CryptoLogic's common shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol CRY and on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol CRYP. There are currently 12.2 million common shares outstanding (12.8 million shares fully diluted, based on the treasury method).

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CryptoLogic Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: March 17, 2003

By: /s/ James A. Ryan

(Signature)

James A. Ryan
Chief Financial Officer