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## STRIKE BACK RESUMES PRODUCTION IN EUROPE AND ASIA; SULLIVAN STAPLETON, PHILIP WINCHESTER, ROBSON GREEN, MICHELLE LUKES AND MILAUNA JACKSON RETURN FOR SEASON FOUR; MICHELLE YEOH, DUSTIN CLARE, WILL YUN LEE, JAMES WILBY, ADRIAN PAUL, JOSEPH GATT, CHRISTIAN ANTIDORMI AND MMA FIGHTER MICHAEL BISPING JOIN THE CAST

NEW YORK, Sept 22, 2014 – A star-studded cast heads season four of CINEMAX's hit action drama series STRIKE BACK, which recently resumed production in Europe. Stars Sullivan Stapleton ("300: The Rise of an Empire," "Gangster Squad") and Philip Winchester ("Crusoe," "Camelot," the upcoming "Undrafted") return as an unlikely pair of counterterrorism operatives, Scott and Stonebridge, and are joined by Robson Green ("Wire in the Blood," "Grantchester"), Michelle Lukes ("Doctors") and Milauna Jackson ("Blood Done Sign My Name," the upcoming "Bolden!") as their fellow Section 20 members.

New cast members include award winner Michelle Yeoh ("Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon II"), Dustin Clare (the "Spartacus" series), Will Yun Lee ("The Wolverine," HBO's "True Blood"), James Wilby ("Gosford Park"), Adrian Paul (the "Highlander" series), Joseph Gatt (HBO's "Game of Thrones"; "Teen Wolf"; CINEMAX's "Banshee"), Christian Antidormi ("Spartacus: War of the Damned") and British mixed martial arts champion and UFC fighter Michael Bisping.

The series recently resumed shooting in Europe and will continue through the fall, with additional production in Thailand. The production had been on hiatus to allow

Contact: New York: Angela Tarantino or Katherine Pongracz (212) 512-1631 or 5658 Los Angeles: Nancy Lesser or Anne Reilly (310) 382-3274 or 3267 Stapleton to recuperate from a non-set injury sustained earlier this year. STRIKE BACK's fourth and final season of ten episodes will air on CINEMAX and UK partner Sky 1 in 2015.

Season four is directed by Michael J. Bassett (who also serves as co-executive producer), Julian Holmes and Brendan Maher, and written by Bassett, Jack Lothian, James Dormer, Richard Zajdlic, Ed Whitmore and Tim Vaughan.

Other new cast members include Michael McElhatton (Roose Bolton in HBO's "Game of Thrones"), Max Beesley ("Suits"), Tim McInnerny ("Notting Hill"), Leo Gregory ("Tristan and Isolde"), Mark Griffin ("Doctor Who"), Wolf Kahler ("Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows"), Andrew Pleavin ("300: Rise of an Empire"), Eliza Hope Bennett ("Nanny McPhee") and Masa Yamaguchi ("The Wolverine").

TV Guide said that STRIKE BACK "blazed a new trail in hardcore pulp fiction" and Craveonline.com hailed it as "still the gold standard for TV action." Redeyechicago.com said, "Every season 'Strike Back' raises the stakes," and New York's *Daily News* observed that season three returned "with a bigger bang than ever." The Huffington Post called it "well made and damn fun."

STRIKE BACK was nominated for American Society of Cinematographers Award and was awarded Best Big Bang Stunts & Effects by the Royal Television Society. IGN nominated the series Best TV Action Series for two years in a row.

For more on the series, visit facebook.com/cinemax, twitter.com @Cinemax #StrikeBack and youtube.com/Cinemax.

STRIKE BACK is a CINEMAX Presentation in association with British Sky Broadcasting Limited; a Left Bank Pictures Production; executive producers, Andy Harries for Left Bank and Cameron Roach for Sky; series producers, Michael Casey and Sharon Hughff; co-executive producers, Michael J. Bassett and James Dormer.

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