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## Calian Reports Record EBITDA and Gross Margins in Third Quarter

Revenue of \$136 million, an increase of 29%, and second highest quarterly revenue in company history

OTTAWA, August 10, 2021 – Calian Group Ltd. (TSX: CGY), deliverer of trusted solutions across Advanced Technologies, Health, Learning and IT and Cyber Solutions segments, today released its quarterly results for the three-month period ended June 30, 2021.

Calian Group Ltd. (the "Company") reported revenues for the quarter of \$136 million, representing a 29% increase from the \$105 million reported in the same quarter of the previous year.

Third quarter 2021 highlights:

- Quarterly revenue of \$136 million, an increase of 29%
- Record level of adjusted EBITDA at \$14.9 million for the quarter, an increase of 66%
- Record gross margins of 25%
- Revenue growth over 15% for each of the four operating segments
- Adjusted net profit increased by 98%
- 79<sup>th</sup> consecutive profitable quarter
- New contract signings of \$113 million in the quarter
- Dividend of \$0.28 per share

"This quarter's performance demonstrates our focus on organic and acquisitive growth with excellent execution," said Kevin Ford, Calian CEO. "Our strategic focus on customer diversification continues, with our Advanced Technologies segment landing a contract with a major electric vehicle manufacturer and our IT and Cyber Solutions segment introducing two dozen new customers in the third quarter."

Adjusted EBITDA for the third quarter was \$14.9 million, an increase of 66% from \$9 million in the same quarter of the previous year. Adjusted net profit, which excludes non-cash items related to recent acquisitions, was \$11.1 million for the quarter, which increased by 98% from \$5.6 million in the same period of the previous year.

"This quarter represents a new high for the Company in both gross margins and adjusted EBITDA," said Patrick Houston, Calian CFO. "This was achieved through contributions from all four segments which have grown double digits in the last year."

Calian is proud to play a key role in the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the third quarter, Calian healthcare professionals vaccinated more than 50,000 Canadians at 19 pop-up clinics and managed seven rapid testing initiatives across Canada.

"Our strong performance through our first three quarters, and our continued momentum have allowed us to increase our guidance for the FY21 fiscal year," said Kevin Ford, Calian CEO.

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Revenue	\$ 500,000 \$	525,000	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 49,000 \$	52,500	
Adjusted net profit	\$ 34,850 \$	38,150	
Anticipated weighted average shares outstanding	10,600,000		

### **About Calian**

Calian employs over 4,500 people in its delivery of diverse products and solutions for private sector, government and defence customers in North American and global markets. The Company's diverse capabilities are delivered through: Advanced Technologies, Health, Learning, and IT and Cyber Solutions. Advanced Technologies provides innovative products, technologies and manufacturing services and solutions for the space, communications, defence, nuclear, government and agriculture sectors. Health manages a network of more than 2,400 healthcare professionals delivering primary care and occupational health services to public and private sector clients across Canada. Learning is a trusted provider of emergency management, consulting and specialized training services and solutions for the Canadian Armed Forces and clients in the defence, health, energy and other sectors. IT and Cyber Solutions supports public and private-sector customer requirements for subject matter expertise in the delivery of complex IT and cyber security solutions. Headquartered in Ottawa, the Company's offices and projects span Canada and international markets. For further information, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.calian.com">www.calian.com</a>.

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## CALIAN GROUP LTD. UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at June 30, 2021 and September 30, 2020 (Canadian dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	June 30, 2021	September 30, 2020
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 56,050	\$ 24,235
Accounts receivable	111,058	81,109
Work in process	84,331	84,132
Inventory	6,122	6,095
Prepaid expenses	11,187	6,707
Derivative assets	137	358
Total current assets	268,885	202,636
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Capitalized research and development	3,415	3,924
Equipment	12,241	11,655
Application software	6,577	3,092
Right of use asset	16,164	17,595
Investments	670	670
Acquired intangible assets	57,191	36,191
Goodwill	100,257	55,290
Total non-current assets	196,515	128,417
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 465,400	\$ 331,053
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	74,141	72,007
Contingent earn-out	20,235	3,251
Provisions	1,155	1,038
Unearned contract revenue	26,384	13,435
Derivative liabilities	513	152
Lease obligations	3,036	2,790
Total current liabilities	125,464	92,673
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Lease obligations	15,224	16,800
Contingent earn-out	13,721	11,913
Deferred tax liabilities	16,148	9,261
Total non-current liabilities	45,093	37,974
TOTAL LIABILITIES	170,557	130,647
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Issued capital	193,802	107,931
Contributed surplus	4,886	2,002
Retained earnings	93,422	92,030
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	2,733	(1,557)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	294,843	200,406
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 465,400	\$ 331,053
Number of common shares issued and outstanding	11,258,055	9,760,032

## CALIAN GROUP LTD. UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET PROFIT

For the three and nine month periods ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 (Canadian dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	T	Three months ended June 30,				Nine mon June		
		2021		2020		2021		2020
Revenue								
Advanced Technologies	\$	43,802	\$	35,912	\$	123,862		115,813
Health		50,800		43,936		150,770		106,187
Learning		18,113		11,110		57,061		43,551
Information Technology		23,379		14,570		59,072		43,712
Total Revenue	1	36,094		105,528	;	390,765	;	309,263
Cost of revenues	1	102,197		82,997		297,132		242,974
Gross profit		33,897		22,531		93,633		66,289
Selling and marketing		4.484		3,187		11,883		9,308
General and administration		13,256		9,848		39,230		28,034
Research and development		1,208		490		3,013		1,340
Profit before under noted items		14,949		9,006		39,507		27,607
Depreciation of equipment, application software and research and								
development		1,126		851		3,172		2,007
Depreciation of right of use asset		770		681		2,273		2,037
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		3,200		1,376		8,359		3,482
Other changes in fair value		-		-		-		(101)
Deemed compensation		750		-		3,100		-
Changes in fair value related to contingent earn-out		5,130		393		6,780		889
Profit before interest income and income tax expense		3,973		5,705		15,823		19,293
Lease obligations interest expense		112		120		343		352
Interest expense (income)		52		(75)		297		166
Profit before income tax expense		3,809		5,660		15,183		18,775
Income tax expense – current		2,433		2,022		6,647		6,049
Income tax expense (recovery) – deferred		(687)		(228)		(1,526)		(749)
Total income tax expense		1,746		1,794		5,121		5,300
NET PROFIT	\$	2,063	\$	3,866	\$	10,062	\$	13,475
Net profit per share:								
Basic	\$	0.18	\$	0.40	\$	0.97	\$	1.53
Diluted	\$	0.18	\$	0.40	\$	0.97	\$	1.52

# CALIAN GROUP LTD. UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the three and nine month periods ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 (Canadian dollars in thousands)

		Three months ended June 30,				Nine mon			
		2021		2020		2021		2020	
CASH FLOWS GENERATED FROM OPERATING									
ACTIVITIES									
Net profit	\$	2,063	\$	3,866	\$	10,062	\$	13,475	
Items not affecting cash:									
Interest expense (income)		52		(75)		297		166	
Changes in fair value related to contingent earn-out		5,130		393		6,780		889	
Lease obligations interest expense		112		120		343		352	
Income tax expense		1,746		1,794		5,121		5,300	
Employee share purchase plan expense		106		75		354		121	
Share based compensation expense		484		292		1,507		884	
Depreciation and amortization		5,095		2,908		13,803		7,526	
Deemed compensation		750		-		3,100		-	
Other changes in fair value		_		_				(101)	
		15,538		9,373		41,367		28,612	
Change in non-cash working capital									
Accounts receivable		(2,298)		(8,210)		(23,730)		(18,932)	
Work in process		(8,923)		(10, 168)		1,882		(36,403)	
Prepaid expenses		(2,862)		(2,304)		(4,265)		(2,496)	
Inventory		480		850		50		(195)	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		934		11,308		3,641		15,018	
Unearned contract revenue		862		13,962		10,078		16,815	
		3,731		14,811		29,023		2,419	
Interest received (paid)		(164)		(45)		(640)		(536)	
Income tax recovered (paid)		(2,408)		(41)		(9,507)		(4,872)	
		1,159		14,725		18,876		(2,989)	
CASH FLOWS GENERATED FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES									
Issuance of common shares net of costs		397		2,487		78,294		68,899	
Dividends		(3,150)		(2,700)		(8,670)		(7,191)	
Draw (repayment) on line of credit		(55,000)		· -		-		(13,000)	
Payment of lease obligations		(771)		(623)		(2,251)		(1,853)	
		(58,524)		(836)		67,373		46,855	
CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES									
Investments and loan receivable		-		-		-		(100)	
Business acquisitions		(3,616)		_		(49,108)		(10,433)	
Capitalized research and development		(125)		(5)		(337)		(1,119)	
Equipment and application software		(2,771)		(797)		(4,989)		(3,053)	
		(6,512)		(802)		(54,434)		(14,705)	
NET CASH (OUTFLOW) INFLOW	\$	(63,877)	\$	13,087	\$	31,815	\$	29,161	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD		119,927		33,209		24,235		17,135	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$	56,050	\$	46,296	\$	56,050	\$	46,296	
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### Reconciliation of non-GAAP measures to most comparable IFRS measures

These non-GAAP measures are mainly derived from the consolidated financial statements, but do not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS; therefore, others using these terms may calculate them differently. The exclusion of certain items from non-GAAP performance measures does not imply that these are necessarily nonrecurring. From time to time, we may exclude additional items if we believe doing so would result in a more transparent and comparable disclosure. Other entities may define the above measures differently than we do. In those cases, it may be difficult to use similarly named non-GAAP measures of other entities to compare performance of those entities to the Company's performance.

Management believes that providing certain non-GAAP performance measures, in addition to IFRS measures, provides users of the Company's financial reports with enhanced understanding of the Company's results and related trends and increases transparency and clarity into the core results of the business. Adjusted EBITDA excludes items that do not reflect, in our opinion, the Company's core performance and helps users of our MD&A to better analyze our results, enabling comparability of our results from one period to another.

## **Adjusted EBITDA**

	Three months ended					Nine mon	nths ended		
	June 30, 2021		Ju	June 30, 2020		June 30, 2021		une 30, 2020	
Net profit	\$	2,063	\$	3,866	\$	10,062	\$	13,475	
Depreciation of equipment and application software		1,126		851		3,172		2,007	
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Deemed Compensation		750		` -		3,100		-	
Other changes in fair value		-		-		-		(101)	
Income tax		1,746		1,794		5,121		5,300	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	14,949	\$	9,006	\$	39,507	\$	27,607	

## **Adjusted Net Profit and Adjusted EPS**

		Three mor ine 30, 2021	onths ended June 30, 2020		Nine mo June 30, 2021			nded une 30, 2020
Net profit	\$	2,063	\$ 3,8	66	\$	10,062	\$	13,475
Other changes in fair value		-		-		-		(101)
Changes in fair value related to contingent earn-out		5,130	3	93		6,780		889
Deemed Compensation		750		-		3,100		-
Amortization of intangibles		3,200	1,3	76		8,359		3,482
Adjusted net profit		11,143	5,6	35	\$	28,301	\$	17,745
Weighted average number of common shares basic	11	,251,483	9,677,6	80	10	,375,745	8	,815,199
Adjusted EPS Basic		0.99	0.	58		2.73		2.01
Adjusted EPS Diluted		0.98	0.	58		2.71		2.00

The Company uses adjusted net profit and adjusted earnings per share, which remove the impact of our acquisition amortization and gains, resulting in accounting for acquisitions and changes in fair value to measure our performance. These measurements better align the reporting of our results and improve comparability against our peers. We believe that securities analysts, investors and other interested parties frequently use non-GAAP measures in the evaluation of issuers. Management also uses non-GAAP measures in order to facilitate operating performance comparisons from period to period, prepare annual operating budgets and assess our ability to meet our capital expenditure and working capital requirements. Adjusted profit and adjusted earnings per share are not recognized, defined or standardized measures under the International Financial Reporting Standards. Our definition of adjusted profit and adjusted earnings per share will likely differ from that used by other companies (including our peers) and therefore comparability may be limited. Non-GAAP measures should not be considered a substitute for or be considered in isolation from measures prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. Investors are encouraged to review our financial statements and disclosures in their entirety and are cautioned not to put undue reliance on non-GAAP measures and view them in conjunction with the most comparable International Financial Reporting Standards financial measures. The Company has reconciled adjusted profit to the most comparable International Financial Reporting Standards financial measure as shown above.