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Protagonist takes international rights to Wild Target

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London-based sales company Protagonist Pictures has taken international rights to Magic Light Pictures' feature comedy *Wild Target*, directed by Jonathan Lynn. It will have its first marketing screening at AFM.

Pre-sales have already been signed for France (Other Angle/Studio 37), Portugal (Valentim), Middle East (Phars) and CIS & Baltic (MGN Paradise). Entertainment Film Distributors will release the film in the UK. Cinetic are handling North American rights.

Wild Target stars Bill Nighy, Emily Blunt, Rupert Grint and Rupert Everett. The screenplay has been adapted by Lucinda Coxon, based on Pierre Salvadori's French hit *Cible Émouvante*. It is produced by Martin Pope and Michael Rose of Magic Light Pictures.

Blunt plays Rose, a beautiful, quick-witted con-artist, who makes money selling fake paintings. When she scams an art loving gangster (Rupert Everett), he sets Europe's most efficient and expensive assassin (Nighy) on her tail.

Protagonist Pictures will be handling sales rights for the world outside North America. The film is a CinemaNX and Isle of Man Film Presentation, in association with Entertainment Film Distributors, of a Magic Light Pictures production with Matador Pictures and Cinema Four in association with Regent Capital.

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