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KBC : ongoing implementation of strategic plan

Following a press article published today, KBC can confirm that today there is no change of strategy and KBC is executing the strategic plan it announced in November 2009.

However, KBC, like many of its peers, continuously receives offers, suggestions, proposals and also looks at alternatives.

KBC confirms that, as good business practice and as a reflection of sound management, it is currently pro-actively examining what the added value of certain changes to its strategic plan could be, while ensuring the commitment made to the European Commission in terms of reducing the balance sheet and risk profile of the group and while ensuring the repayment of state capital.

However, at this stage, it is impossible to comment specifically on the outcome of such an exercise, or the practical details. Moreover, any conclusions drawn from such an exercise will have to be submitted first to the respective decision-taking bodies.

At this stage, therefore, KBC cannot and does not wish to anticipate the possible outcome, if any, nor give an indication as to when the exercise can or will be completed.

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