



Press release

Outside trading hours – Regulated information*

Brussels, 10 November 2017, 08 h

Publication of transparency notification(s) received by KBC Group NV

(art. 14, 1st section of the Act of 2 May 2007 concerning the disclosure of significant participations)

Summary of the notification(s)

KBC Group NV has received a transparency notification dd. 7 November 2017, which states that BlackRock Inc. has crossed the reporting threshold of 5% (in voting rights) upwards.

Content of the notification(s)

The notification(s) contain(s) following information:

- Reason for the notification(s): acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights
- Notification(s) by: BlackRock Inc.
- Persons subject to the notification requirement: see annex 1
- Date(s) on which the threshold is crossed: 6 November 2017
- Threshold that is crossed: 5%
(KBC Group's Articles of Association set a notification threshold of 3% of the total number of voting rights. In addition, the legal thresholds of 5% or any multiple thereof also apply)
- Denominator (number of shares KBC Group NV): 418 372 082
- Notified details: see annex 1
- Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held:
See "11: Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held" in the PDF-file on www.kbc.com (see below).
- The relevant notification(s) is (are) available at www.kbc.com > Investor relations > Shareholder information > Shareholder structure.

For more information, please contact:

Wim Allegaert, General Manager, Investor Relations, KBC Group

Tel + 32 2 429 50 51 – E-mail: wim.allegaert@kbc.be

Viviane Huybrecht, General Manager, Corporate Communication/Spokesperson, KBC Group

Tel + 32 2 429 85 45 – E-mail: pressofficekbc@kbc.be

* This press release contains information provided in compliance with European transparency legislation for listed companies. KBC Group NV is listed at NYSE Brussels.

KBC Group NV

Havenlaan 2 – 1080 Brussels
Viviane Huybrecht
General Manager, Corporate
Communication/
Spokesperson
Tel. + 32 2 429 85 45

Press Office
Tel. + 32 2 429 65 01
Tel. + 32 2 429 29 15
Fax + 32 2 429 81 60
E-mail: pressofficekbc@kbc.be

KBC press releases are available at www.kbc.com
or can be obtained by sending an e-mail to
pressofficekbc@kbc.be

Check this document's authenticity at
www.kbc.com/en/authenticity.

Follow us on www.twitter.com/kbc_group

Annex 1

Notification dd. 7 November 2017

A) Voting rights	Previous notification		After the transaction		
	# of voting rights	# of voting rights		% of voting rights	
		Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0,00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	35.940	35.255		0,01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	11.328	11.328		0,00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1.653.238	1.417.183		0,34%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	272.396	268.781		0,06%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	120.618	35.969		0,01%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1.762.086	1.781.950		0,43%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	3.970	1.853		0,00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	70.914	70.706		0,02%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3.859.630	3.897.044		0,93%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	3.597.373	3.598.819		0,86%	
BlackRock International Limited	126.248	136.658		0,03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	74.919	74.805		0,02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	7.762.416	2.754.464		0,66%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	558.836	538.658		0,13%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	440.529	532.289		0,13%	
Subtotal	20.350.441	15.155.762		3,62%	
TOTAL		15.155.762	0	3,62%	0,00%

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction					
	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise period or date	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	Settlement
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			542.821	0,13%	physical
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	Securities Lent			86.500	0,02%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			5.027.127	1,20%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Securities Lent			1.946	0,00%	physical
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	Securities Lent			60.911	0,01%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1.206	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			128	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			76.540	0,02%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			14.295	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depository Receipt			1.809	0,00%	
TOTAL				5.813.283	1,39%	

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
		CALCULATE	
		20.969.045	5,01%