



Press release

Outside trading hours – Regulated information*

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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. 25 June 2018, which states that BlackRock Inc. has crossed the reporting threshold of 5% (voting rights, excluding equivalent financial instruments) downwards.

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: 22 June 2018
- 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): 418 597 567
- 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.

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Annex
Notification dd. 25 June 2018

A) Voting rights	Previous notification	After the transaction			
		# of voting rights		% of voting rights	
	Holdings 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.	39.783	39.783		0,01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	10.735	11.210		0,00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1.756.829	2.089.902		0,50%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	321.029	324.312		0,08%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	171.273	173.138		0,04%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1.783.221	1.691.324		0,40%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	49.084	6.320		0,00%	
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	0	15		0,00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	125.590	105.353		0,03%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	4.035.579	3.823.555		0,91%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	4.121.846	4.008.047		0,96%	
BlackRock International Limited	140.785	127.951		0,03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	82.539	79.008		0,02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	8.093.261	7.104.863		1,70%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	611.711	561.950		0,13%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	327.315	680.239		0,16%	
Subtotal	21.670.580	20.826.970		4,98%	
TOTAL		20.826.970	0	4,98%	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			65.785	0,02%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			454.688	0,11%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1.794	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			44.135	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	Contract For Difference			4.292	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			105.545	0,03%	cash
BlackRock International Limited	Contract For Difference			155	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			4.868	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			58.793	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depository Receipt			1.836	0,00%	
TOTAL				741.891	0,18%	

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	CALCULATE	21.568.861	5,15%