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COMP/M.5580 - BLACKROCK / BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS UK HOLDINGS

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification relates to the proposed acquisition of sole control by BlackRock, Inc. (“**BlackRock**”) of Barclays Global Investors UK Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries (collectively “**BGI**”).

BlackRock is a US publicly traded company active in the provision of global asset management, risk management and advisory services to institutional and retail clients.

BGI is a UK company and is currently organized as a business division of the Barclays group. BGI provides global asset management products and services primarily to institutional clients.