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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

CEP IV Garden S.à r.l., a special purpose acquisition vehicle controlled by funds managed by affiliates of the entities doing business as "The Carlyle Group" ("Carlyle") intends to acquire indirect sole control over PA Consulting Group Ltd. ("PA") by way of acquisition of the majority of the shares of the Target.

- Carlyle is a global alternative asset manager, which manages funds that invest globally across four investment disciplines: (i) Corporate Private Equity (buyout and growth capital); (ii) Real Assets (real estate, infrastructure and energy and renewable resources); (iii) Global Market Strategies (structured credit, mezzanine, distressed, hedge funds, and middle market debt); and (iv) Solutions (private equity fund of funds program and related co-investment and secondary activities).
- PA is a global management consulting firm. It is a provider of a wide range of management consultancy services to senior management in different industries in both the public and the private sector. PA has its headquarters in London and offices in the Americas, Europe, the Nordics, the Gulf and wider Middle East and North Africa region (MENA) and Asia Pacific.