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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

- 1. The notified concentration consists in the proposed acquisition by SoftBank Group Corp ("SoftBank") of sole control of Fortress Investment Group LLC ("Target" or "Fortress") (the "Transaction").
- 2. SoftBank is a listed Japanese internet company which provides a comprehensive range of telecommunication services and products, primarily in Japan and the USA. It currently operates in five segments: Japanese Telecommunications; Sprint Corporation (a US telecommunications carrier); Yahoo Japan (internet advertising, ecommerce and membership services); Distribution (mobile devices, and sale of PC software and peripherals in Japan); and ARM (a UK-based semiconductor company).
- 3. Fortress is an investment management firm based in New York, USA. As of 31 December 2016, Fortress has \$69.6 billion of assets under management.
- 4. Under the terms of the Transaction, SoftBank will acquire Fortress for approximately \$3.3 billion in cash.