



Middlesea Insurance p.l.c.



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Company Announcement in accordance with MFSA Listing Rule 8.90.2

Reference is made to the shareholding of 2,625,000 ordinary shares of nominal value 50c (fifty cents) each that Corporación Mapfre S.A. currently holds in Middlesea Insurance plc in the name of HSBC Bank Malta plc as sub custodian for Bank of New York as custodian for Corporación Mapfre SA.

The Company has become aware that Corporación Mapfre S.A. intends to restructure certain non-Spanish investments with the purpose of grouping them in a holding company named Mapfre Internacional S.A., which is fully controlled by Corporación Mapfre S.A.

Within the scope of the aforementioned restructuring, the 2,625,000 ordinary shares of nominal value 50c (fifty cents) each held by Corporación Mapfre S.A. in Middlesea Insurance plc, will be transferred to Mapfre Internacional S.A. Such transfer will be carried out by means of an exchange of shares. Such transfer does not imply a change of control over the Shares, neither direct nor indirect, but a mere change of nominal ownership.

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