Ruukki Group Oyj / Holding(s) in Company*

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HOLDINGS IN COMPANY (FLAGGING NOTIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 2, SECTION 10 OF THE FINNISH SECURITIES MARKET ACT)

Ruukki Group Plc ('Ruukki') (LSE: RKKI, OMX: RUG1V) has on 30 March 2011 received a flagging notification in accordance with Chapter 2, Section 9 of the Finnish Securities Market Act from Hanwa Co. Ltd ('Hanwa'), a company incorporated and existing under the laws of Japan with its principal office at 6-18-2 Ginza. Chuo-Ku. Tokyo 104-8249 Japan, regarding the shares of Ruukki.

According to the notification, Hanwa has signed a share transfer agreement with Finaline Business Limited concerning a sale and transfer of 27,000,000 shares in Ruukki Group Plc. After the completion, the transaction will result in Hanwa falling below 5 per cent and becoming a 1.21 per cent holder of the shares and voting rights in Ruukki. Pursuant to the share transfer agreement, the transaction shall be completed on 28 December 2011 at the latest but all or part of the transaction shares may be transferred prior to that date.

- 1. Name of the target company Ruukki Group Plc.
- 2. Basis for the flagging obligation
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 concerning a sale and transfer of 27,000,000 shares in Ruukki Group Plc. After
 the completion, the transaction will result in Hanwa falling below 5 per cent.
- 3. Date when the holdings will change At the latest 28 December 2011.
- 4. Once the transaction is completed, the holding of Hanwa Co. Ltd in Ruukki will be the following:

Shares and voting rights attached to them

Number of shares % of shares Number of voting rights % of voting rights 3,000,000 1.209 3,000,000 1.209

5. Name and address of the shareholder Hanwa Co. Limited 6-18-2 Ginza. Ghuo-Ku. Tokyo 104-8429 Japan.

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