

Press release

Outside trading hours - Regulated information*

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Publication of transparency notification(s) received by KBC Group NV

(art. 14, 1st section of the Act of 2 May 2007 concerning the disclosure of significant participations)

Summary of the notification(s)

KBC Group NV has received a transparency notification dd. 30 November 2017, which states that BlackRock Inc. has crossed the reporting threshold of 5% in voting rights (under A in annex 1) upwards.

Content of the notification(s)

The notification(s) contain(s) following information:

- Reason for the notification(s): acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights
- Notification(s) by: BlackRock Inc.
- Persons subject to the notification requirement: see annex 1
- Date(s) on which the threshold is crossed: 28 November 2017
- Threshold that is crossed: crossing of the 5% treshold 'voting rights' (part A in annex 1)
 (KBC Group's Articles of Association set a notification threshold of 3% of the total number of voting rights. In addition, the legal thresholds of 5% or any multiple thereof also apply)
- Denominator (number of shares KBC Group NV): 418 372 082
- Notified details: see annex 1
- Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held: See "11: Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held" in the PDF-file on www.kbc.com (see below).
- The relevant notification(s) is (are) available at www.kbc.com > Investor relations > Shareholder information
 Shareholder structure.

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Annex 1

Notification dd. 30 November 2017

A) Voting rights	Previous notification	After the transaction			
	# of voting rights	# of voting rights		% of voting rights	
Holders of voting rights		Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0,00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	35.255	35.255		0,01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	11.328	11.328		0,00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1.500.399	1.832.002		0,44%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	265.379	283.256		0,07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	120.696	120.919		0,03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1.776.859	1.772.617		0,42%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	1.853	18.286		0,00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	88.600	95.544		0,02%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3.931.829	3.938.003		0,94%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	3.758.693	3.798.707		0,91%	
BlackRock International Limited	134.597	134.597		0,03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	76.238	78.602		0,02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	7.551.610	7.696.298		1,84%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	543.584	557.802		0,13%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	860.256	609.032		0,15%	
Subtotal	20.657.176	20.982.248		5,02%	
TOTAL		20.982.248	0	5,02%	0,00%

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction					
Holders of equivalent financial instruments	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise period or date	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	Settlement
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			25.662	0,01%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1.206	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			128	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			113.045	0,03%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			14.295	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depository Receipt			1.809	0,00%	
TOTAL			156.145	0,04%		

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	CALCULATE	21.138.393	5,05%