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Explanatory report on the item on the agenda of the extraordinary shareholders' meeting

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EXPLANATORY REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MEDIASET S.P.A. ON THE RESOLUTION PROPOSAL PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 2377, PARAGRAPH 8, AND 2502, PARAGRAPH 2, OF THE ITALIAN CIVIL CODE, DRAWN UP PURSUANT ARTICLE 125-TER OF THE TUF, ALSO AS AN THE **EXPLANATORY** INTEGRATION OF REPORT DRAWN UP PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 2501-QUINQUIES OF THE ITALIAN CIVIL CODE ON THE TRIPARTITE COMMON CROSS-BORDER MERGER PLAN **RELATING TO THE MERGER BY INCORPORATION OF MEDIASET S.P.A.** AND MEDIASET ESPAÑA COMUNICACIÓN S.A. WITH AND INTO THE WHOLLY-OWNED MEDIASET'S DUTCH **COMPANY** MEDIASET INVESTMENT N.V., MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON 18 JUNE 2019

Proposal to amend articles 1, 13, 15, 40, 42 and 43 of the proposed version of the articles of association and articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 13 of the "*Terms and Conditions for Special Voting Shares*" (as well as article 1 of Schedule 1 to the same), that will be adopted by MFE - MEDIAFOREUROPE N.V., as surviving company, upon completion of the cross-border merger by absorption of Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación S.A. with and into Mediaset Investment N.V., as well as Paragraph 6 of the "*Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A*"

Dear Shareholders,

on September 4, 2019 the extraordinary shareholders' meeting of Mediaset S.p.A. (Mediaset) approved (the Merger Resolution) the tripartite common cross-border merger plan (the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan) relating to the merger by absorption (the Merger) of Mediaset and Mediaset España Comunicación, S.A. (Mediaset España) with and into Mediaset Investment N.V. (DutchCo), a Dutch wholly-owned direct subsidiary of Mediaset which, upon effectiveness of the Merger, will be renamed MFE - MEDIAFOREUROPE N.V. (MFE).

This explanatory report (the **Report**) has been drawn up by the board of directors of Mediaset (the **Board of Directors of Mediaset**) pursuant to art. 125-*ter* of Legislative Decree 24 February 1998, n. 58, as subsequently amended and supplemented (the **TUF**), and of art. 72 and 84-*ter*, as well as of Annex 3A, of the Regulation adopted by Consob resolution no. 11971 of 14 May 1999, as subsequently amended and supplemented (the **Issuers' Regulation**) and also as an integration of the explanatory report prepared by the Board of Directors of Mediaset pursuant to Article 2501-*quinquies* of the Italian civil code, Article 8 of the Legislative Decree No. 108 of 30 May 2008 (the **Legislative Decree 108**) and – since Mediaset shares are listed on the Mercato Telematico Azionario organized and managed by Borsa Italiana S.p.A. – Article 70, paragraph 2, of the Issuers' Regulation as well as in compliance with the Scheme No. 1 of Annex 3A of the Issuers' Regulation, which was made available to the public on 18 June 2019 (the **Explanatory Report**), so to

illustrate and justify, from a legal and an economic standpoint, the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan.

This Report has been drawn up to illustrate the resolution proposal, to be adopted in accordance with Article 2377, paragraph 8, and Article 2502, paragraph 2, of the Italian civil code (the **Resolution Proposal**), relating to (*i*) the amendment of certain articles of the proposed version of the articles of association of MFE, attached as Schedule 2 to the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan (the **Proposed Articles**); (*ii*) the amendment of certain articles of the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan (the **SVS Terms and Conditions**); and (iii) the amendment of Paragraph 6 of the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A - Mediaset" and of the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A – Mediaset España", attached as Schedule 3 and Schedule 4 to the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan, respectively.

The Common Cross-Border Merger was also approved by the general meeting of shareholders of Mediaset España and, given the tripartite nature of the Merger, the Resolution Proposal referred to in this Report shall also be submitted to the approval of Mediaset España and DutchCo's shareholders.

For all matters not expressly amended or updated as a result of this Report, reference is made to the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan and to the Explanatory Report, which is available on the corporate website of Mediaset (<u>www.mediaset.it</u>).

I. Explanation of the rationale of the proposed resolution

By adopting the Merger Resolution, the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset resolved to:

1. "approve the common draft plan for cross-border merger (together with the annexes thereto, including the draft version of the articles of association of Mediaset Investment N.V.)) on the merger by incorporation of Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación, S.A. into Mediaset Investment N.V (which, following the effectiveness of the merger, will take the name "MFE -MEDIAFOREUROPE N.V."), a company incorporated under Dutch law wholly and directly controlled by "Mediaset S.p.A.", with registered office in Amsterdam (Netherlands) and head office in Viale Europa 46, 20093 Cologno Monzese (Milan - Italy), registered in the Dutch companies register under no. 70347379, which, as a result of the merger, will issue a maximum of 1,500,000.000 new ordinary shares with a nominal value of EUR 0.01 (zero point zero one) each, with the right to share in any profits distributed from the first day of the financial year in which the merger becomes effective, to be allotted, in dematerialised form and through the applicable centralised management system, in accordance with the respective exchange ratios and allotment procedures provided for in the joint cross-border merger plan: (i) the shareholders of "Mediaset S.p.A.", other than the latter, without cash compensation, without prejudice to the right of withdrawal in accordance with Article 2437(1) of the Italian Civil Code and Article 5 of Legislative Decree No. 108/2008; and (ii) the shareholders of "Mediaset España Comunicación, S.A.", other than the latter and Mediaset S.p.A., without cash adjustment, without prejudice to the right of withdrawal in accordance with Article 62 of Spanish Law No. 3 of 3 April 2009 (as subsequently amended) and Articles 348 et seq. of Royal Legislative Decree No 1 of 2 July 2010";

- 2. "take note that the acquiring company, in addition to the ordinary shares and in accordance with the provisions of its new articles of association and with the "terms and conditions of the special voting shares", attached to the common draft terms of cross-border merger as Annex 2 and Annex 5 respectively, may issue shares granting special voting rights A, with a nominal value of EUR 0.02 (zero point zero two) each, to which additional voting rights will be attributed to the voting rights attributed by each ordinary share, to be assigned to shareholders of the acquiring company, other than the acquiring company, who have validly requested them and who are entitled to receive them; shares granting special voting rights A, which do not form part of the exchange ratio and are not negotiable on the market, may be converted into shares granting special voting rights A; shares granting special voting rights to the voting rights B may be converted into shares granting special voting rights C with a nominal value of EUR 0.09 (zero point zero nine) each, which will be assigned additional voting rights to the voting rights B may be converted into shares granting special voting rights to the voting rights B may be converted into shares granting special voting rights to the voting rights assigned by each shares granting special voting rights B";
- 3. "establish that the completion of the merger and the subsequent liquidation of the withdrawals, as referred to in point 1) above, are subject to the fulfilment of the conditions precedent laid down in paragraph 17.1 of the common draft terms of cross-border merger, it being understood that Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación, S.A. may jointly waive the fulfilment of the conditions laid down in points (iv) and (v) of paragraph 17.1;
- 4. "not to open negotiations in respect of employee participation agreements within the meaning of Section 2:333K(12) of the Dutch Civil Code; therefore, no special body will be set up for the purposes of the negotiations, and the provisions of Section 1:31(2) and (3) of the Employee Involvement (European Countries) Act will apply";
- 5. "confer on the board of directors all necessary or even appropriate powers to waive the conditions precedent for the effectiveness of the merger referred to in paragraph 17.1(iv) and (v) the common draft terms of cross-border merger;
- 6. "confer on the Board of Directors and, on its behalf, on the Chairman pro tempore in office, on the Vice-Chairman and Managing Director pro tempore in office, as well as on the Director Marco Giordani, severally, each with the power to delegate special representatives, all the powers necessary to carry out the merger, in compliance with the provisions of law and the contents of the common plan for cross-border merger, with the power in particular to verify and ascertain the fulfilment or waiver, where provided for, of each of the conditions precedent referred to in the common draft terms of cross-border merger and to issue and sign deeds, statements and communications in relation to this circumstance, establish the effects of the merger, execute and sign deeds and documents in general, and to carry out all that is necessary or even only appropriate for the successful completion of the Transaction itself".

The Merger Resolution was approved with No. 577,968,891 votes in favour (equal to 78.18% of the shares represented at the meeting), No. 155,810,093 votes against (equal to 21.08% of the shares represented at the meeting), and No. 5,459,601 shares for which no vote was cast (equal to 0.74% of the shares represented at the meeting).

Vivendi S.A. (**Vivendi**) – holder of No. 113,533,301 Mediaset shares, equal to 9.61% of the share capital and 9.98% of the voting rights – voted against the Merger Resolution. Simon Fiduciaria S.p.A. (**SimonFid**) – a fiduciary company to which Vivendi has transferred in

trust No. 226,712,212 Mediaset shares, equal to 19.19% of the share capital and 19.92% of the voting rights – did not, instead, take part in the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset held on 4 September 2019. This is because the Board of Directors of Mediaset, by means of a resolution adopted on 4 September 2019, did not allow it to attend the meeting for the reasons set out in the press release published by Mediaset on the same day.

Also on 4 September 2019, the general meeting of shareholders of Mediaset España approved the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan. Vivendi – which, following the announcement of the Merger (occurred on 7 June 2019) acquired No. 3,300,000 Mediaset España shares, equal to 1.00% of the share capital – voted against the Merger.

For information on the withdrawal rights exercised by shareholders of Mediaset and Mediaset España, reference is made to Section VI of this Report.

In order to comprehensively illustrate the rationale and the contents of the resolution which the Board of Directors of Mediaset proposes to adopt, in accordance with Article 2377, paragraph 8, and Article 2502, paragraph 2, of the Italian civil code, it is necessary to give an account of the events occurred after the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset held on 4 September 2019.

II. The objections raised by Vivendi and SimonFid with respect to the Merger and the proceedings initiated by them

- 1. During the general meetings of shareholders of Mediaset and Mediaset España, Vivendi criticised the Merger, its rationale and purposes as well as the proposed governance structure of MFE, stating that it would "*resort to any legal remedy in any relevant jurisdiction in order to challenge the legitimacy of the MFE structure*".
- 2. Following the meetings:
 - (i) on 16 September 2019, Vivendi served Mediaset España with a writ of summons challenging the resolution approving the Merger, as adopted by the company, before the Commercial Court number 2 of Madrid and requesting the Court, among others, to stay its effectiveness (see Mediaset press release dated 23 September 2019 and below *sub* 6);
 - (ii) on 19 September 2019, Vivendi served DutchCo with a writ of summons requesting the Commercial Court of Amsterdam to ascertain, as a matter of urgency, the alleged invalidity of articles 13, 42 and 43 of the Proposed Articles (see Mediaset press release dated 23 September 2019 and below *sub* 7).

Vivendi withdrew from the urgent procedure on 16 October 2019, but then, on 29 October 2019, by means of a new writ of summons, made the same requests as those made in the previous writ of summons no longer on an urgent basis, but, rather, on the merits;

(iii) on 3 October 2019, Vivendi served Mediaset with a writ of summons appealing the Merger Resolution before the Court of Milan (see Mediaset press release dated 3 October 2019 and below *sub* 8);

- (iv) on 11 October 2019, SimonFid served Mediaset with a writ of summons appealing the Merger Resolution before the Court of Milan (see Mediaset press release dated 11 October 2019 and below *sub* 8);
- (v) on 14 and 15 October 2019 respectively, Vivendi and SimonFid notified Mediaset of two applications, in accordance with Article 2378, paragraph 3, of the Italian civil code and Article 700 of the Italian code of civil procedure, requesting the Court of Milan – in the context of the proceedings already initiated and joined in the meantime – to stay the effectiveness of the Merger Resolution (see Mediaset press release dated 15 October 2019 and below *sub* 8).
- 3. In summary, in the various deeds served, Vivendi and SimonFid have:
 - (i) criticised the Merger and, particularly, the alleged possibility to generate the benefits envisaged in terms of value creation and synergies;
 - (ii) challenged the legitimacy of certain articles of the Proposed Articles and of the SVS Terms and Conditions, which would conflict with Dutch law, be abusive and impair their position and, more generally, that of the minority shareholders of Mediaset and Mediaset España.
- 4. In particular, with regard to the latter, Vivendi and SimonFid have challenged the Merger resolutions, approved by the respective shareholders' meetings of Mediaset and Mediaset España which provide for a *governance* structure of MFE characterised by the following:
 - (i) the special voting structure, envisaging the allotment of special shares to longterm shareholders, as described under Paragraph 5.2 of the Explanatory Report;
 - (ii) the Qualified Shareholding Obligation and the Contractual Obligation, as referred to under Article 42 of the Proposed Articles, to be considered together with the sanctions provided for in the Proposed Articles in the event of a breach of the same (Articles 13.7 and 43.7 of the Proposed Articles);
 - (iii) the lowering of the threshold, the exceeding of which results in the obligation to launch a takeover bid on MFE, from 30% of the voting rights (statutory threshold prescribed under Dutch law) to 25% of the voting rights, as referred to under Article 43 of the Proposed Articles (the Conventional MTO Threshold);
 - (iv) the so-called *binding nomination* mechanism, *i.e.* the mechanism whereby the members of the board of directors of MFE are appointed upon a binding designation made by the outgoing board of directors, except if the shareholders' meeting opposes such designation by means of a resolution to be adopted with the 2/3 of the votes cast (Article 15 of the Proposed Articles);
 - (v) the composition of the board of directors of MFE following completion of the Merger; and

(vi) the penalty clause provided for under Article 13 of the SVS Terms and Conditions.

In the opinion of Vivendi and SimonFid, such measures and provisions would be detrimental for them and, in any case, contrary to both Dutch law and the best practices adopted by Dutch listed companies.

- 5. The status of the proceedings is as follows.
- 6. <u>Spain</u>: in the context of the proceedings on the merits brought by Vivendi by means of the writ of summons served on 16 September 2019, Mediaset España filed its statement of defence on 18 October 2019 and it is expected that the preliminary hearing will take place on 15 January 2020.

With regard to the interim proceedings for the stay of the effectiveness of the resolution approving the Merger, as adopted by the general meeting of shareholders of Mediaset España on 4 September 2019, following the hearing held on 2 October 2019, on 11 October 2019 the judge issued the order of stay (the **Order of the Court of Madrid**).

On 11 November 2019 Mediaset España appealed against the Order of the Court of Madrid.

It is envisaged that the board of directors of Mediaset España – upon proposal of an internal committee composed by four members (three independent directors and one "other external" member of the board of directors) (the **Merger Committee**) – resolves to call the extraordinary meeting of shareholders, to which the approval of a resolution akin to the Resolution Proposal will be submitted, on 5 February 2020.

7. <u>The Netherlands</u>: on 16 October 2019 DutchCo entered an appearance and defence in the interim proceedings in which Vivendi requested the Commercial Court of Amsterdam to ascertain the invalidity of Articles 13, 42 and 43 of the Proposed Articles. Subsequently, also on 16 October 2019, Vivendi withdrew its interim claim. On 31 October 2019, the judge refused DutchCo's request to order Vivendi to pay the costs of the interim proceedings.

On 29 October 2019, Vivendi, by means of a new writ of summons, made the same requests as those made in the previous writ of summons no longer on an urgent basis, but, rather, on the merits.

8. <u>Italy</u>: the lawsuits brought by Vivendi and SimonFid for the setting aside of the Merger Resolution have been joined and are pending before the Court of Milan. The first hearing is scheduled for 21 January 2020.

With regard to the interim proceedings initiated in accordance with Article 2378, paragraph 3, of the Italian civil code and Article 700 of the Italian code of civil procedure, after the first hearing held on 30 October 2019, on 4 November 2019 the judge – at the request of Mediaset – made the attempt at conciliation provided for under Article 2378, paragraph 4, of the Italian civil code, inviting the parties to evaluate the possibility to reach a conciliation on the basis of the following elements:

- elimination from the Proposed Articles of the clauses relating to the Qualified Shareholding Obligation and the Contractual Obligation, as well as to the Conventional MTO Threshold, as provided under Articles 42 and 43 as well as under Article 13.7 of the mentioned Proposed Articles.
- (ii) elimination from the SVS Terms and Conditions of all references to the Qualified Shareholding Obligation and the Contractual Obligation as well as of the penalty clause prescribed under Article 13 of the mentioned SVS Terms and Conditions.

At the hearing, Mediaset declared its willingness to evaluate the hypothesis suggested by the Judge in terms of adopting a new resolution in accordance with Article 2377, paragraph 8, of the Italian civil code. Vivendi and SimonFid have reserved the right to evaluate the proposals and availability of Mediaset.

The parties have agreed to postpone the hearing to verify the possibility of conciliation and the Tribunal has set a new hearing for 22 November 2019, provisionally staying the effectiveness of the resolution until that date, "reserving to issue any other measure at the outcome of the same hearing".

At the hearing of 22 November 2019, the judge postponed the hearing again and set it on 29 November 2019 so to enable the parties to further evaluate the possibility of reaching a conciliation, provisionally staying the effectiveness of the resolution until that date.

In the meantime, also on 22 November 2019 the Board of Directors of Mediaset resolved to call the extraordinary meeting of shareholders, to which the approval of the Resolution Proposal will be submitted, on 10 January 2020.

III. The arguments of the Board of Directors of Mediaset and the reasons for the proposed resolution on the agenda

III.1 The Merger

- 9. The Board of Directors of Mediaset does not agree with the Order of the Court of Madrid nor with the remarks made by Vivendi and SimonFid in the abovementioned disputes. On the contrary, it remains convinced of the legitimacy and the strategic nature of the Merger, as well as of the whole transaction to which the Merger is functional, for all the reasons indicated in the documentation published by Mediaset and made available to shareholders under the terms and procedures required by current legislation. In this respect, reference is made to:
 - (i) the joint press release issued by Mediaset and Mediaset España (published on the website www.mediaset.it on 7 June 2019);
 - (ii) the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan, including annexes (published on the website www.mediaset.it on 18 June 2019);
 - (iii) the Explanatory Report (published on the website www.mediaset.it on 18 June 2019);

- (iv) the explanatory report drawn up by the board of directors of Mediaset España in relation to the Merger (published on the corporate website www.mediaset.it on 18 June 2019);
- (v) the explanatory report drawn up by the board of directors of DutchCo in relation to the Merger (published on the website www.mediaset.it on 18 June 2019);
- (vi) the two "Questions and Answers" documents, drawn up by Mediaset ahead of the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset, held on 4 September 2019, in accordance with Article 127-ter of the TUF (published on the website www.mediaset.it on 2 July 2019 and on 4 September 2019, respectively);
- (vii) the presentation to analysts drawn up by Mediaset and Mediaset España (published on the website www.mediaset.it on 10 June 2019).
- 10. Therefore, by referring to the above documents, the Board of Directors of Mediaset reiterates the following.
- 11. From a strategic, operational and industrial perspective, the Merger is aimed at creating a pan-European *media* and entertainment group, with a leading position in its local markets and greater scale to compete and potential to expand further in specific countries across Europe. A long-term project aimed at creating a European *media* champion which, acting as an aggregating pole of national companies, may be able to compete on the global market with the largest international broadcasters so to generate growth and value for the benefit of the companies involved, their shareholders and stakeholders.
- 12. Therefore, the project features an absolutely "dynamic" and future-oriented vocation and pursues a twofold objective: (i) placing MFE in a position to operate on an equal footing in a context increasingly characterised by competitors and customers operating on a global scale and, as a result, targeting operators that can provide access to several markets and, at the same time, (ii) a pivotal role in the context of a possible future consolidation scenario in the European video *media* industry. This objective is entirely consistent with the global scenario which has shown that, in a sector characterised by very rapid technological evolution and by fierce international competition with multinational groups, development-oriented operations aimed at creating synergies between medium-sized companies and the creation of strategic alliances are essential.
- 13. With respect to this matter, in particular, in the last five years Mediaset and Mediaset España have developed a strong relationship with the German broadcaster ProSiebenSat.1 within the European Media Alliance (EMA). As indicated under Paragraph 1.1 of the Report, on 29 May 2019 Mediaset announced the acquisition of a 9.6% stake in ProSiebenSat.1 Media, corresponding to 9.9% of the voting rights, excluding treasury shares. Furthermore, on 11 November 2019 Mediaset España announced the acquisition of a further 5.5% stake in ProSiebenSat.1 Media (see Mediaset press release dated 11 November 2019). The aggregate stake held by the Mediaset group in ProSiebenSat.1 Media has, thus, reached 15.1% of the German broadcaster's share capital.

- Mediaset firmly believes in the future of the European media industry. The 14. investment in ProSiebenSat.1 Media marks an important step in creating an independent European TV, content and digital powerhouse, thereby improving Europe's competitive position in the global marketplace. Scale is becoming a crucial strategic factor. Mediaset is convinced that there has to be a pan-European answer to increasing competition and technological challenges ahead. Economies of scale will allow all European broadcasters to compete on an equal footing by leveraging their respective leadership positions in linear and non-linear entertainment, content, tech and data. Going forward, pan-European structures will help create the necessary scale to be more attractive for advertising, invest in cutting edge technology and focus on competitive content production as well as on a broader digital and ondemand offering. ProSiebenSat.1 Media has significant growth potential and Mediaset is pleased to have the opportunity to further strengthen its position as a major shareholder. Mediaset is convinced that its investment in ProSiebenSat.1 Media will allow to strengthen its ties with the company even further on its path to unlocking substantial value in the German and European markets.
- 15. In addition to these strategic objectives, there are tangible economic advantages for all shareholders, connected with the realisation of the synergies indicated in the above documents, estimated at approximately Euro 100-110 million (before tax) over the next four years (from 2020 to 2023), corresponding to a net present value of approximately Euro 800 million.
- 16. As for MFE's domiciliation in the Netherlands, this responds to the specific need to find a neutral and appropriate ground for the realisation of future, expected, integrations of several national *media* companies. In fact, as internationalization of Mediaset group represents the linchpin of the entire project, the choice as to where MFE shall be domiciliated has resulted in the search for a suitable ecosystem for future international expansion, which therefore: (i) would allow flexibility with respect to governance matters; (ii) would provide a high degree of legal certainty, also in terms of contractual/commercial relations, and would be universally recognised as one of the legal systems providing for extensive protection to investors; and (iii) would benefit from general international recognition by foreign investors and operators, with whom MFE intends to interact in the context of integration, joint ventures, strategic alliances, etc..
- 17. It is therefore clear that the Merger is essential for the future of the Mediaset group, as well as for all of its shareholders and stakeholders, who, in the opinion of the Board of Directors of Mediaset, would suffer serious damage if it were not carried out.
- 18. In light of the above considerations, the Board of Directors of Mediaset evaluated the events occurred after the approval of the Merger, and in particular the findings contained in the Order of the Court of Madrid, the proposal for conciliation suggested by the Court of Milan and, more generally, the objections made by Vivendi and SimonFid. This is because the Board of Directors of Mediaset, while considering that each and all the provisions of the Proposed Articles are lawful and correspond to a specific interest of the merging companies, believes that a prompt completion of

the Merger prevails over its individual components. Thus, in order to pursue this primary objective, it has decided not only to accept the proposals suggested by the Court of Milan, but also to go beyond them and to propose the shareholders' meeting to approve not only the amendments suggested by the Judge, but also additional amendments aimed at further aligning some specific aspects with current best practices, thus ensuring that objections raised against the Merger are overcome and the Merger can successfully complete, as this is the willingness of an ample majority of shareholders.

19. The details of each of the proposed amendments, with evidence of the rationale thereto, are set out below.

III.2 The amendments to be approved in accordance with Article 2377, paragraph 8, of the Italian civil code – Comparative table

- 20. Article 2377, paragraph 8, of the Italian civil code allows the shareholders' meeting to adopt a resolution amending certain contents of a previous resolution, with retroactive effect as from the time when the first resolution was adopted, without prejudice to the effects that the latter has already produced.
- 21. On the basis of this provision and of Article 2502, paragraph 2, of the Italian civil code, the Board of Directors of Mediaset, for the reasons already explained, intends to submit the amendment of specific articles of the Proposed Articles and of the SVS Terms and Conditions to the approval of the shareholders' meeting, all the other terms and conditions of the Merger approved with the Merger Resolution remaining unaltered and without prejudice to the effects already produced by such Merger Resolution.
- 22. The following amendments are referred to in the resolution proposal:
 - (i) elimination from the Proposed Articles, the SVS Terms and Conditions, the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A - Mediaset" and the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A -Mediaset España", of all references to the Qualified Shareholding Obligation and the Contractual Obligation, to be considered together with the sanctions provided for in the event of a breach of the same. Amendments to Articles 13, 42 and 43 (with reference to this Article, see point (iii) below) of the Proposed Articles; Articles 4.4, 5.3, 6.3, 7.3, 8.4, 11.1(d) and (e) of the SVS Terms and Conditions and Article 1.1 of Schedule 1 to the said SVS Terms and Conditions; and Paragraph 6 of each of the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A":

Proposed Articles	<u>New draft</u>
Article 13)	<u>Article 13)</u>
Certain Provisions concerning Special	Certain Provisions concerning Special

Voting Shares	Voting Shares
[omissis]	[omissis]
13.7 A person holding Ordinary Shares who (i) applies for deregistration of Ordinary Shares in his name from the Loyalty Register, (ii) transfers Ordinary Shares to any other person, (iii) has become the subject of an event in which control over that person is acquired by another person, (iv) does not meet or no longer meets the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, or (v) does not meet or no longer meets the Contract Obligation, all as set out in more detail in Article 42 and in the SVS Terms, must transfer its Special Voting Shares to the Company or a special purpose entity as referred to in Article 13.6, except if and insofar as provided otherwise in the SVS Terms. If and for as long as a Shareholder is in breach with such obligation, the voting rights and the right to participate in General Meetings relating to the Special Voting Shares to be so offered and transferred will be suspended. The Company will be irrevocably authorised to effectuate the offer and transfer on behalf of the Shareholder concerned.	13.7 A person holding Ordinary Shares who (i) applies for deregistration of Ordinary Shares in his name from the Loyalty Register, (ii) transfers Ordinary Shares to any other person, or (iii) has become the subject of an event in which control over that person is acquired by another person, (iv) does not meet or no longer meets the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, or (v) does not meet or no longer meets the Contract Obligation, all as set out in more detail in Article 42 and in the SVS Terms, must transfer its Special Voting Shares to the Company or a special purpose entity as referred to in Article 13.6, except if and insofar as provided otherwise in the SVS Terms. If and for as long as a Shareholder is in breach with such obligation, the voting rights and the right to participate in General Meetings relating to the Special Voting Shares to be so offered and transferred will be suspended. The Company will be irrevocably authorised to effectuate the offer and transfer on behalf of the Shareholder concerned.
[omissis]	[omissis]

<u>Article 42)</u>	<u>Article 42)</u>
Shareholder Obligations	Shareholder Obligations
42.1 No Shareholder, nor any person having	42.1 No Shareholder, nor any person having
a derived right (<i>afgeleid recht</i>) with respect to	a derived right (<i>afgeleid recht</i>) with respect to
the Shares (including but not limited to the	the Shares (including but not limited to the
right of usufruct and right of pledge), may	right of usufruct and right of pledge), may
hold, on its own or together with Affiliates	hold, on its own or together with Affiliates
or any other person, directly and/or	or any other person, directly and/or
indirectly – at any time – a participation in	indirectly – at any time – a participation in
the Company representing a percentage of	the Company representing a percentage of
the outstanding share capital and/or voting rights of the Company which (a) is in excess	the outstanding share capital and/or voting rights of the Company which (a) is in excess

of what is permitted to be held by such persons by any provision of law (including rules and regulations aiming at safeguarding media pluralism and antitrust laws) issued by any State or Authority applicable to (i) the Company, and/or (ii) group companies of the Company, and/or (iii) the Company's shareholders, and/or (iv) the Company's legal predecessors (i.e. Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación S.A.) or would have been applicable to the Company's legal predecessors (i.e. Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación S.A.), and/or (b) is in violation of a decision of any Authority applicable to (i) the Company, and/or (ii) group companies of the Company, and/or (iii) the Company's shareholders, and/or (iv) the Company's legal predecessors (i.e. Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación S.A.) (the Qualified Shareholding Obligation).

42.2 A Shareholder and any person having a derived right (afgeleid recht) with respect to the Shares (including but not limited to the right of usufruct and right of pledge) and their Affiliates must at all times obey and act in accordance with any contractual arrangements made between the Company and any such person relating to the Shares held by such person (including for the avoidance of doubt any contractual arrangements inherited from its legal predecessors and originally relating to shares issued by such legal predecessors) (the Contract Obligation).

42.3 If and for as long as any person as referred to in Articles 42.1 and/or 42.2 is acting in violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation and/or the Contract Obligation, the voting rights and the right to participate in General Meetings attached to all the Shares held by such persons may be suspended by the Board.

of what is permitted to be held by such persons by any provision of law (including rules and regulations aiming at safeguarding media pluralism and antitrust laws) issued by any State or Authority applicable to (i) the Company, and/or (ii) group companies of the Company, and/or (iii) the Company's shareholders, and/or (iv) the Company's legal predecessors (i.e. Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación S.A.) or would have been applicable to the Company's legal predecessors (i.e. Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación S.A.), and/or (b) is in violation of a decision of any Authority applicable to (i) the Company, and/or (ii) group companies of the Company, and/or (iii) the Company's shareholders, and/or (iv) the Company's legal predecessors (i.e. Mediaset S.p.A. and Mediaset España Comunicación S.A.) (the **Qualified Shareholding Obligation**).

42.2 A Shareholder and any person having a derived right (*afgeleid recht*) with respect to the Shares (including but not limited to the right of usufruct and right of pledge) and their Affiliates must at all times obey and act in accordance with any contractual arrangements made between the Company and any such person relating to the Shares held by such person (including for the avoidance of doubt any contractual arrangements inherited from its legal predecessors and originally relating to shares issued by such legal predecessors) (the **Contract Obligation**).

42.3 If and for as long as any person as referred to in Articles 42.1 and/or 42.2 is acting in violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation and/or the Contract Obligation, the voting rights and the right to participate in General Meetings attached to all the Shares held by such persons may be suspended by the Board. 42.4 For the purpose of this Article 42 Affiliate means with respect to any specified person, any other person who directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such specified person. The term **control** means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms **controlling** and **controlled** have meanings correlative of the foregoing.

42.4 For the purpose of this Article 42 Affiliate means with respect to any specified person, any other person who directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such specified person. The term **control** means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms **controlling** and **controlled** have meanings correlative of the foregoing.

SVS Terms and Conditions	<u>New draft</u>
<u>Article 4)</u>	<u>Article 4)</u>
Application for Special Voting Shares –	Application for Special Voting Shares –
Loyalty Register	Loyalty Register
[omissis]	[omissis]
4.4 Upon receipt of the Election Form	4.4 Upon receipt of the Election Form
(including the Power of Attorney and the	(including the Power of Attorney and the
Intermediary's confirmation, as referred to	Intermediary's confirmation, as referred to
in clause 4.1), the Agent will examine the	in clause 4.1), the Agent will examine the
same and use its reasonable efforts to	same and use its reasonable efforts to
inform the relevant Shareholder, through	inform the relevant Shareholder, through
his/her/its Intermediary, as to whether the	his/her/its Intermediary, as to whether the
Request is accepted or rejected (and, if	Request is accepted or rejected (and, if
rejected, the reasons why) within thirty	rejected, the reasons why) within thirty
Business Days of receipt of the above-	Business Days of receipt of the above-
mentioned documents. The Agent may	mentioned documents. The Agent may
reject a Request for reasons of	reject a Request for reasons of
incompleteness or incorrectness of the	incompleteness or incorrectness of the
Election Form or the Intermediary	Election Form or the Intermediary
confirmation, as referred to in clause 4.1 or	confirmation, as referred to in clause 4.1 or
in case of serious doubts with respect to the	in case of serious doubts with respect to the
validity or authenticity of such documents.	validity or authenticity of such documents.
If the Agent requires further information	If the Agent requires further information
from the relevant Shareholder in order to	from the relevant Shareholder in order to
process the Request, then such Shareholder	process the Request, then such Shareholder

assistance required in connection therewith.	assistance required in connection therewith.
A Request will be rejected if the Board	A Request will be rejected if the Board
determines that the relevant Shareholder (i)	determines that the relevant Shareholder (i)
does not meet the Qualified Shareholding	does not meet the Qualified Shareholding
Obligation, and/or (ii) does not meet the	Obligation, and/or (ii) does not meet the
Contract Obligation. In case of violation of	Contract Obligation. In case of violation of
the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the	the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the
refusal will be limited to the number of	refusal will be limited to the number of
Ordinary Shares which will be held in	Ordinary Shares which will be held in
violation of the Qualified Shareholding	violation of the Qualified Shareholding
Obligation.	Obligation.
[omissis]	[omissis]

Article 5) Article 5) Allocation of Special Voting Shares A Allocation of Special Voting Shares A omissis omissis 5.3 On the SVS A Qualification Date, the 5.3 On the SVS A Qualification Date, the Agent will, on behalf of both the Company Agent will, on behalf of both the Company and the relevant Qualifying Shareholder, and the relevant Qualifying Shareholder, effectuate the execution of a Deed of effectuate the execution of a Deed of Allocation pursuant to which such number Allocation pursuant to which such number of Special Voting Shares A will be issued of Special Voting Shares A will be issued and allocated to the Qualifying Shareholder and allocated to the Qualifying Shareholder and will correspond to the number of new and will correspond to the number of new Qualifying Ordinary Shares A. The Board Qualifying Ordinary Shares A. The Board will refuse the issuance of Special Voting will refuse the issuance of Special Voting Shares A if the relevant Shareholder (i) does Shares A if the relevant Shareholder (i) does not meet the Qualified Shareholding not meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation or will no longer meet the Obligation or will no longer meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation as a Qualified Shareholding Obligation result of the acquisition of Special Voting result of the acquisition of Special Voting Shares A, and/or (ii) does not meet the Shares A, and/or (ii) does not meet the Contract Obligation. In case of violation of Contract Obligation. In case of violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the refusal will be limited to the number of refusal will be limited to the number of Special Voting Shares A which will be held Special Voting Shares A which will be held in violation of the Qualified Shareholding in violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation. Obligation. omissis omissis

Article 6) Allocation of Special Voting Shares B [omissis]	Article 6) Allocation of Special Voting Shares B [omissis]
6.3 On the SVS B Qualification Date, the Agent will, on behalf of the Company, issue a Conversion Statement pursuant to which the Special Voting Shares A corresponding to the number of Qualifying Ordinary Shares B will automatically convert into an equal number of Special Voting Shares B. The Board will refuse the conversion of Special Voting Shares A into Special Voting Shares B if the relevant Shareholder (i) does not meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation or will no longer meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation as a result of the conversion of Special Voting Shares A into Special Voting Shares A into Special Voting Shares A into Special Voting Shares B, and/or (ii) does not meet the Contract Obligation. In case of violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the refusal will be limited to the number of Special Voting Shares B which will be held in violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation.	6.3 On the SVS B Qualification Date, the Agent will, on behalf of the Company, issue a Conversion Statement pursuant to which the Special Voting Shares A corresponding to the number of Qualifying Ordinary Shares B will automatically convert into an equal number of Special Voting Shares B. The Board will refuse the conversion of Special Voting Shares A into Special Voting Shares B if the relevant Shareholder (i) does not meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation or will no longer meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation as a result of the conversion of Special Voting Shares A into Special Voting Shares B, and/or (ii) does not meet the Contract Obligation. In case of violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the refusal will be limited to the number of Special Voting Shares B which will be held in violation of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation.
[omissis]	[omissis]

<u>Article 7)</u>	<u>Article 7)</u>
<u>Allocation of Special Voting Shares C</u>	<u>Allocation of Special Voting Shares C</u>
[omissis]	[omissis]
7.3 On the SVS C Qualification Date, the	7.3 On the SVS C Qualification Date, the
Agent will, on behalf of the Company, issue	Agent will, on behalf of the Company, issue
a Conversion Statement pursuant to which	a Conversion Statement pursuant to which
the Special Voting Shares B corresponding	the Special Voting Shares B corresponding
to the number of Qualifying Ordinary	to the number of Qualifying Ordinary
Shares C will automatically convert into an	Shares C will automatically convert into an
equal number of Special Voting Shares C.	equal number of Special Voting Shares C.
The Board will refuse the conversion of	The Board will refuse the conversion of

Shares C if the relevant Shareholder (i) does	Shares C if the relevant Shareholder (i) does
not meet the Qualified Shareholding	not meet the Qualified Shareholding
Obligation or will no longer meet the	Obligation or will no longer meet the
Qualified Shareholding Obligation as a	Qualified Shareholding Obligation as a
result of the conversion of Special Voting	result of the conversion of Special Voting
Shares B into Special Voting Shares C,	Shares B into Special Voting Shares C,
and/or (ii) does not meet the Contract	and/or (ii) does not meet the Contract
Obligation. In case of violation of the	Obligation. In case of violation of the
Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the	Qualified Shareholding Obligation, the
refusal will be limited to the number of	refusal will be limited to the number of
Special Voting Shares C which will be held	Special Voting Shares C which will be held
in violation of the Qualified Shareholding	in violation of the Qualified Shareholding
Obligation.	Obligation.

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[omissis]

<u>Article 8)</u>	<u>Article 8)</u>
<u>Initial Allocation</u>	Initial Allocation
[omissis]	[omissis]
8.4 The Agent will, on behalf of both the	8.4 The Agent will, on behalf of both the
Company and the Initial Electing	Company and the Initial Electing
Shareholders, effectuate the allocation of	Shareholders, effectuate the allocation of
the Special Voting Shares A by way of	the Special Voting Shares A by way of
execution of an Initial Deed of Allocation.	execution of an Initial Deed of Allocation.
Notwithstanding the aforementioned, the	Notwithstanding the aforementioned, the
Board will refuse the registration of one or	Board will refuse the registration of one or
more Ordinary Shares in the Loyalty	more Ordinary Shares in the Loyalty
Register and/or refuse the allocation of	Register and/or refuse the allocation of
Special Voting Shares A if the relevant	Special Voting Shares A if the relevant
Shareholder (i) does not meet the Qualified	Shareholder (i) does not meet the Qualified
Shareholding Obligation or will no longer	Shareholding Obligation or will no longer
meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation	meet the Qualified Shareholding Obligation
as a result of the allocation of Special	as a result of the allocation of Special
Voting Shares A, and/or (ii) does not meet	Voting Shares A, and/or (ii) does not meet
the Contract Obligation. In case of violation	the Contract Obligation. In case of violation
of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation,	of the Qualified Shareholding Obligation,
the refusal will be limited to the number of	the refusal will be limited to the number of
Ordinary Shares and/or Special Voting	Ordinary Shares and/or Special Voting
Shares A which will be held in violation of	Shares A which will be held in violation of
the Qualified Shareholding Obligation.	the Qualified Shareholding Obligation.
[omissis]	[omissis]

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<u>Article 11)</u>	<u>Article 11)</u>
<u>Mandatory Retransfers of Special Voting</u>	Mandatory Retransfers of Special Voting
<u>Shares</u>	<u>Shares</u>
11.1 A Shareholder will no longer be	11.1 A Shareholder will no longer be
entitled to hold Special Voting Shares and	entitled to hold Special Voting Shares and
must offer and transfer his/her/its Special	must offer and transfer his/her/its Special
Voting Shares for no consideration (<i>om niet</i>)	Voting Shares for no consideration (<i>om niet</i>)
to either the Company or to a special	to either the Company or to a special
purpose vehicle as referred to in Article 13.6	purpose vehicle as referred to in Article 13.6
of the Articles in any of the following	of the Articles in any of the following
circumstances (each a Mandatory	circumstances (each a Mandatory
Retransfer Event):	Retransfer Event):
a) upon the de-registration from the Loyalty Register of Ordinary Shares in the name of that Shareholder in accordance with clause 9;	a) upon the de-registration from the Loyalty Register of Ordinary Shares in the name of that Shareholder in accordance with clause9;
b) upon any transfer by that Shareholder of	b) upon any transfer by that Shareholder of
Qualifying Ordinary Shares, except if such	Qualifying Ordinary Shares, except if such
transfer is a transfer to a Loyalty Transferee	transfer is a transfer to a Loyalty Transferee
as referred to in clause 12;	as referred to in clause 12;
c) upon the occurrence of a Change of Control in respect of that Shareholder;	c) upon the occurrence of a Change of Control in respect of that Shareholder;
d) upon violation of the Qualified	d) upon violation of the Qualified
Shareholding Obligation; and	Shareholding Obligation; and
e) upon violation of the Contract	e) upon violation of the Contract
Obligation.	Obligation.
[omissis]	[omissis]

SVS Terms and Conditions Schedule 1	<u>New draft</u>
1	1.1 In these SVS Terms the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings set out below, except if the context requires otherwise:
[omissis]	[omissis]

Contract Obligation means the obligation of each Shareholder as referred to in Article 42.2 of the Articles.	Contract Obligation means the obligation of each Shareholder as referred to in Article 42.2 of the Articles.
[omissis]	[omissis]
Qualified Shareholding Obligation means the obligation of each Shareholder as referred to in Article 42.1 of the Articles.	Qualified Shareholding Obligation means the obligation of each Shareholder as referred to in Article 42.1 of the Articles.
[omissis]	[omissis]

<u>Terms and Conditions for the Initial</u> <u>Allocation of Special Voting Shares A -</u> <u>Mediaset</u>	<u>New draft</u>
6. Registration procedure in the Loyalty Register	6. Registration procedure in the Loyalty Register
[omissis]	[omissis]
After thirty calendar days of uninterrupted ownership, by the same shareholder (or its Loyalty Transferee), of Initial Electing Ordinary Shares starting from the effective date of the Merger, such shares will become qualifying ordinary shares (the Qualifying Ordinary Shares) and – subject to the requesting shareholder meeting the Qualifying Shareholding Obligation and the Contract Obligation (pursuant to Article 8.4 of the " <i>Terms and Conditions for Special Voting</i> <i>Shares</i> ") – the holder thereof will receive one Special Voting Share A per each Qualifying Ordinary Share held.	After thirty calendar days of uninterrupted ownership, by the same shareholder (or its Loyalty Transferee), of Initial Electing Ordinary Shares starting from the effective date of the Merger, such shares will become qualifying ordinary shares (the Qualifying Ordinary Shares) and <u>subject to the requesting shareholder meeting the Qualifying Shareholding Obligation and the Contract Obligation (pursuant to Article 8.4 of the "Terms and Conditions for Special Voting Shares") - the holder thereof will receive one Special Voting Share A per each Qualifying Ordinary Share held.</u>
[omissis]	[omissis]

<u>Terms and Conditions for the Initial</u> <u>Allocation of Special Voting Shares A –</u> <u>Mediaset España</u>	<u>New draft</u>
6. Registration procedure in the Loyalty	6. Registration procedure in the Loyalty

Register	Register
[omissis]	[omissis]
After thirty calendar days of uninterrupted ownership, by the same shareholder (or its Loyalty Transferee), of Initial Electing Ordinary Shares starting from the effective date of the Merger, such shares will become qualifying ordinary shares (the Qualifying Ordinary Shares) and – subject to the requesting shareholder meeting the Qualifying Shareholding Obligation and the Contract Obligation (pursuant to Article 8.4 of the " <i>Terms and Conditions for Special Voting</i> <i>Shares</i> ") – the holder thereof will receive one Special Voting Share A per each Qualifying Ordinary Share held.	After thirty calendar days of uninterrupted ownership, by the same shareholder (or its Loyalty Transferee), of Initial Electing Ordinary Shares starting from the effective date of the Merger, such shares will become qualifying ordinary shares (the Qualifying Ordinary Shares) and <u>subject to the requesting shareholder meeting the Qualifying Shareholding Obligation and the Contract Obligation (pursuant to Article 8.4 of the "Terms and Conditions for Special Voting Shares") the holder thereof will receive one Special Voting Share A per each Qualifying Ordinary Share held.</u>
[omissis]	[omissis]

(ii) amendment of the definition of "acting in concert" indicated under Article 1.1 of the Proposed Articles. Amendment of Article 1.1, first alinea, of the Proposed Articles.

Proposed Articles	<u>New draft</u>
<u>Article 1)</u> Definitions and Construction	<u>Article 1)</u> Definitions and Construction
1.1 In this Articles of Association, the following terms have the following meanings:	1.1 In this Articles of Association, the following terms have the following meanings:
Acting In Concert has the meaning given to it in 1:1 of the Act on Financial Supervision, being understood that similar voting behaviour, holding meetings to coordinate voting and joint public announcements will be considered Acting In Concert.	Acting In Concert has the meaning given to it in 1:1 of the Act on Financial Supervision, being understood that similar voting behaviour, holding meetings to coordinate voting and joint public announcements will be considered Acting In Concert.
[omissis]	[omissis]

(iii) elimination of the Conventional MTO Threshold (set at 25% of the voting rights) so to align it with that provided for under Dutch law (*i.e.*, 30% of the voting rights). Amendment of Article 43 of the Proposed Articles:

Proposed Articles	<u>New draft</u>
<u>Article 43)</u> Mandatory bid requirement	Article 43) Article 42 Mandatory bid requirement
43.1 In addition to any provision of law, any person who, either on its own or together with persons Acting In Concert, acquires or acquired after the seventh day of June two thousand and nineteen, either directly or indirectly, predominant control, shall make a public takeover bid for all the outstanding ordinary shares.	43.1 42.1 In addition to any provision of law, any person who, either on its own or together with persons Acting In Concert, acquires or acquired after the seventh day of June two thousand and nineteen, either directly or indirectly, predominant control, shall make a public takeover bid for all the outstanding ordinary shares.
43.2 The obligation to make a public takeover bid as referred to in paragraph 1 shall lapse if the obliged person loses predominant control within thirty (30) calendar days after the obligation to make a public takeover bid under this Article 43 has become applicable to such person.	43.2 42.2 The obligation to make a public takeover bid as referred to in paragraph 1 shall lapse if the obliged person loses predominant control within thirty (30) calendar days after the obligation to make a public takeover bid under this Article 43 42 has become applicable to such person.
43.3 In this Article 43 predominant control means the right to exercise at least (i) twenty-five per cent (25%), or (ii) thirty per cent (30%) of the voting rights in the General Meeting. For the purpose of this provision Shares for which the voting rights and the right to participate in General Meetings are suspended will nevertheless be taken into account when calculating the percentages of predominant control.	43.3 42.3 In this Article 43 42 predominant control means the right to exercise at least (i) twenty five per cent (25%), or (ii) thirty per cent (30%) of the voting rights in the General Meeting. For the purpose of this provision Shares for which the voting rights and the right to participate in General Meetings are suspended will nevertheless be taken into account when calculating the percentages of predominant control.
43.4 Unless otherwise appears from this Article 43, the definitions and terms used in this Article that relate to the Act on Financial Supervision will be interpreted in accordance with Section 1:1 of the Act on Financial Supervision.	43.4 42.4 Unless otherwise appears from this Article 43 42 , the definitions and terms used in this Article that relate to the Act on Financial Supervision will be interpreted in accordance with Section 1:1 of the Act on Financial Supervision.

43.5 The public takeover bid that must be	43.5 42.5 The public takeover bid that must
made in respect of this Article 43 must	be made in respect of this Article 43-42
further be made in accordance with the	must further be made in accordance with
provisions of the Act on Financial	the provisions of the Act on Financial
Supervision and the Public Takeover Bid	Supervision and the Public Takeover Bid
Decree that apply to a mandatory public	Decree that apply to a mandatory public
takeover bid as referred to in Section 1,	takeover bid as referred to in Section 1,
paragraph (e), of the Public Takeover Bid	paragraph (e), of the Public Takeover Bid
Decree or substitute regulations.	Decree or substitute regulations.
43.6 Any person who incurs the obligation to make a public takeover bid is obliged to notify the Company of this immediately.	43.6 42.6 Any person who incurs the obligation to make a public takeover bid is obliged to notify the Company of this immediately.
43.7 Any person who, either on its own or	43.7 Any person who, either on its own or
together with any person Acting in Concert,	together with any person Acting in Concert,
has the obligation to make a public takeover	has the obligation to make a public takeover
bid under this Article 43 and (a) does not	bid under this Article 43 and (a) does not
meet or no longer meets the Qualified	meet or no longer meets the Qualified
Shareholding Obligation, and/or (b) does	Shareholding Obligation, and/or (b) does
not meet or no longer meets the Contract	not meet or no longer meets the Contract
Obligation, must (i) dispose of the excess	Obligation, must (i) dispose of the excess
number of Shares that have led to the	number of Shares that have led to the
acquisition of predominant control after the	acquisition of predominant control after the
seventh day of June two thousand and	seventh day of June two thousand and
nineteen or (ii) take any other action which	nineteen or (ii) take any other action which
will result in him losing predominant	will result in him losing predominant
control within five (5) business days upon	control within five (5) business days upon
written request from the Company (the	written request from the Company (the
Obligation To Lose Predominant	Obligation To Lose Predominant
Control).	Control).
43.8 The Board is irrevocably authorised to	43.8 The Board is irrevocably authorised to
effectuate the disposal of such number of	effectuate the disposal of such number of
Shares which will result in the relevant	Shares which will result in the relevant
Shareholder losing predominant control if	Shareholder losing predominant control if
the Obligation To Lose Predominant	the Obligation To Lose Predominant
Control has not been satisfied within a	Control has not been satisfied within a
period of five (5) business days from the day	period of five (5) business days from the day
that the Company has requested this in	that the Company has requested this in
writing. The disposal of the Ordinary Shares	writing. The disposal of the Ordinary Shares
will take place via the public market against	will take place via the public market against
a price obtained in good faith, and the	a price obtained in good faith, and the
Special Voting Shares will be transferred to	Special Voting Shares will be transferred to

the Company for no consideration.	the Company for no consideration.

(iv) elimination of the enhanced majorities provided for under the Proposed Articles, in relation to the appointment and revocation of directors and to amendment of the articles of association. Amendment of Articles 15.2, 15.6, and 40.1 of the Proposed Articles, and introduction of an enhanced majority to be provided in case of resolutions aimed at re-introducing restrictions similar to those whose elimination is proposed (*i.e.*, Qualified Shareholding Obligation, Contractual Obligation and thresholds for takeover bids lower than those provided for by law):

Proposed Articles	<u>New draft</u>
<u>Article 15)</u>	<u>Article 15)</u>
Appointment, Suspension and Removal	Appointment, Suspension and Removal
of Directors	of Directors
[omissis]	[omissis]
15.2 The Board will nominate a candidate	15.2 The Board will nominate a candidate
for each vacant seat. A nomination by the	for each vacant seat. A nomination by the
Board will be binding. However, the	Board will be binding. However, the
General Meeting of Shareholders may	General Meeting of Shareholders may
deprive the nomination of its binding	deprive the nomination of its binding
character by a resolution passed with a two-	character by a resolution passed with a two-
third majority of the votes validly cast	third the majority of the votes validly cast
without a quorum being required. If the	without a quorum being required. If the
binding nomination is not deprived of its	binding nomination is not deprived of its
binding character, the person nominated	binding character, the person nominated
will be deemed appointed. If the	will be deemed appointed. If the
nomination is deprived of its binding	nomination is deprived of its binding
character, the Board will be allowed to make	character, the Board will be allowed to make
a new binding nomination.	a new binding nomination.
[omissis]	[omissis]
15.6 Each Director may be suspended or	15.6 Each Director may be suspended or
removed by the General Meeting of	removed by the General Meeting of
Shareholders at any time. A resolution of	Shareholders at any time. A resolution of
the General Meeting of Shareholders to	the General Meeting of Shareholders to
suspend or remove a Director other than	suspend or remove a Director other than
pursuant to a proposal by the Board	pursuant to a proposal by the Board
requires a two-third majority of the votes	requires a two-third the majority of the

validly cast without a quorum being	votes validly cast without a quorum being
required. An Executive Director may also	required. An Executive Director may also
be suspended by the Board. A suspension	be suspended by the Board. A suspension
by the Board may at any time be	by the Board may at any time be
discontinued by the General Meeting of	discontinued by the General Meeting of
Shareholders.	Shareholders.
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<u>Article 40)</u> <u>Amendment of Articles of Association</u>	<u>Article 40)</u> <u>Amendment of Articles of Association</u>
40.1 The General Meeting may pass a resolution to amend the Articles of Association but only on a proposal of the Board. Any such proposal must be stated in the notice of the General Meeting of Shareholders. A resolution of the General Meeting to amend the Articles of Association requires a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes validly cast, if less than one-half of the Company's issued capital is represented at the meeting.	40.1 The General Meeting may pass a resolution to amend the Articles of Association but only on a proposal of the Board. Any such proposal must be stated in the notice of the General Meeting of Shareholders. A resolution of the General Meeting to amend the Articles of Association requires a the majority of not less than two thirds of the votes validly cast, if less than one half of the Company's issued capital is represented at the meeting.
	However, resolutions of the General Meeting to amend the Articles of Association providing for:
	 (i) limitations on the percentage of voting rights to which shareholders may be entitled, either individually or acting in concert with others;
	 (ii) obligations – additional to, or other than those prescribed under applicable law – to make a public takeover bid for the company's shares; or
	(iii) the suspension of the right to attend and/or vote at any General Meeting due to the breach, either actual or challenged, of any contractual agreement between the Company and the Shareholder holding the such participation and/or voting rights,

	may only be adopted with a three- quarter majority of the votes validly cast, irrespective of the aggregate issued shares attending or represented at such General Meeting.
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(v) elimination of the penalty clause provided for under Article 13 of the SVS Terms and Conditions and, therefore, of Article 13 of the SVS Terms and Conditions.

SVS Terms and Conditions	<u>New draft</u>
<u>Article 13)</u> Breach, Compensation payment	<u>Article 13)</u> Breach, Compensation payment
13.1 In the event of a breach of any of the obligations of a Shareholder, that Shareholder must pay to the Company an amount for each Special Voting Share affected by the relevant breach (the Compensation Amount), which amount is the average closing price of an Ordinary Share on the Mercato Telematico Azionario of the Borsa Italiana Stock Exchange calculated on the basis of the period of twenty (20) trading days prior to the day of the breach or, if such day is not a Business Day, the preceding Business Day, such without prejudice to the Company's right to request specific performance.	13.1 In the event of a breach of any of the obligations of a Shareholder, that Shareholder must pay to the Company an amount for each Special Voting Share affected by the relevant breach (the Compensation Amount), which amount is the average closing price of an Ordinary Share on the Mercato Telematico Azionario of the Borsa Italiana Stock Exchange calculated on the basis of the period of twenty (20) trading days prior to the day of the breach or, if such day is not a Business Day, the preceding Business Day, such without prejudice to the Company's right to request specific performance.
13.2 Clause 13.1 constitutes a penalty clause (<i>boetebeding</i>) as referred to in section 6:91 of the Dutch Civil Code. The Compensation Amount payment shall be deemed to be in lieu of, and not in addition to, any liability (<i>schadevergoedingsplicht</i>) of the relevant Shareholder towards the Company in respect of the relevant breach - so that the provisions of this clause 13 shall be deemed to be a "liquidated damages" clause (<i>schadevergoedingsbeding</i>) and not a "punitive	13.2 Clause 13.1 constitutes a penalty clause (<i>boetebeding</i>) as referred to in section 6:91 of the Dutch Civil Code. The Compensation Amount payment shall be deemed to be in lieu of, and not in addition to, any liability (<i>schadevergoedingsplicht</i>) of the relevant Shareholder towards the Company in respect of the relevant breach - so that the provisions of this clause 13 shall be deemed to be a "liquidated damages" clause (<i>schadevergoedingsbeding</i>) and not a "punitive

damages" clause (strafbeding).	damages" clause (strafbeding).
13.3 To the extent possible, the provisions of section 6:92, subsections 1 and 3 of the Dutch Civil Code shall not apply.	13.3 To the extent possible, the provisions of section 6:92, subsections 1 and 3 of the Dutch Civil Code shall not apply.

III.3 Additional elements

- 23. In addition to the above, the Board of Directors of Mediaset acknowledged the remarks made both in relation to the composition of the board of directors of MFE following the Merger and in relation to the modalities whereby such board of directors will submit to the shareholders' meeting its designations proposals for the renewal, upon expiry, or for replacement of its members.
- 24. With reference to the first aspect (the composition of the board of directors of MFE following the Merger), the Board of Directors of Mediaset verified the possibility to amend the composition communicated on 7 June 2019 in order to encourage a greater participation of independent directors, as this category is defined in the Dutch Corporate Governance Code. These checks were successful and, thus, the board of directors of MFE, immediately after the effective date of the Merger, is expected to be composed as follows: Pier Silvio Berlusconi, Marco Giordani, Gina Nieri, Niccolò Querci, Stefano Sala and Paolo Vasile, who are expected to be the initial executive directors; Marina Berlusconi, Fedele Confalonieri and Danilo Pellegrino, who are expected to be the initial non-executive directors; and Marina Brogi, Consuelo Crespo Bofil, Alessandra Piccinino, Javier Diez de Polanco and Carlo Secchi, who are expected to be the initial non-executive independent directors.
- 25. With reference to the second aspect (designation proposals which the board of directors of MFE will submit to the shareholders' meeting for the renewal, upon expiry, or for replacement of its members), it is expected that immediately after the Merger effective date, the board of directors of MFE will adopt *ad hoc* regulations which with the aim at achieving a greater alignment to the Dutch best practice, and with a view to encourage a greater participation of independent directors governs: (i) the composition of the board of directors, and (ii) the procedures for proposing designations of new members to the general shareholders' meeting in case of renewal, upon expiry, or replacement, so to ensure that, in the long run, the majority of the board of directors be composed of non-executive directors and, among them, the majority be independent (in accordance with the definition laid down in the Dutch Corporate Governance Code) also in case of replacement of single directors.
- 26. Once more, the above is only aimed at facilitating the timely implementation of the project with the widest possible approval by shareholders.

IV. Assessments on the withdrawal rights

27. The shareholders' meeting to which you have been called will not approve a new cross-border merger; on the contrary, the Resolution Proposal *(i)* only concerns some

specific amendments to organizational aspects of the corporate structure of MFE, as resulting company from the Merger and, consequently, *(ii)* does not affect the cross-border nature of the Merger nor the terms and conditions of the Merger (other than those indicated above).

- 28. As such, the approval of the Resolution Proposal, in accordance with Article 2377, paragraph 8, and Article 2502, paragraph 2, of the Italian civil code, as indicated in this Report, *(i)* does not affect the grounds on which Mediaset shareholders have already exercised their withdrawal rights following the approval of the Merger by the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset, held on 4 September 2019, and *(ii)* does not entail any of the conditions provided for the exercise of the withdrawal right under Article 2437 of the Italian civil code and Article 5 of the Legislative Decree 108: consequently, Mediaset shareholders who do not participate in the adoption of the Resolution Proposal, as referred to in this Report, will not be entitled to exercise their withdrawal rights.
- 29. Mediaset shares, in relation to which withdrawal rights have already been exercised during the exercise period, ended on 21 September 2019, will be acquired by MFE (and by Mediaset shareholders who elected to purchase them within the statutory offer on an option-right basis and on a pre-emptive right basis ended on 6 November 2019) upon effectiveness of the Merger and conditional upon completion of the same, at the withdrawal price equal to Euro 2.770 per share. In this regard, it should be noted that rights of intervention and voting rights attached to such shares may be exercised at the shareholders' meeting called on 10 January 2020.
- 30. If the Merger is not consummated, Mediaset shares in relation to which the withdrawal rights have been exercised will continue to be held by Mediaset shareholders who exercised such rights; no payment will be made to such shareholders.
- 31. As regards Mediaset España shareholders, the approval of the resolution proposal to be submitted to the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset España, in terms akin to the Resolution Proposal (see *sub* 6 above), will not entitle Mediaset España shareholders to exercise their withdrawal rights.

Despite so, it is envisaged that Mediaset España shareholders who – following the publication (on 10 September 2019) of an announcement relating to the approval of the Merger – exercised their withdrawal rights (all of them being minority shareholders) will be allowed, during a specific time frame yet to be determined, to revoke the exercise of their withdrawal rights and, therefore, to be considered again as shareholders of Mediaset España.

V. Assessments on shareholders, creditors and employees

32. The approval of the Resolution Proposal, as referred to in this Report, will not in any way affect the assessments already made in the Report with respect to the rights to which Mediaset shareholders (who will become MFE shareholders) will be entitled following the effective date of the Merger, as a consequence of the Dutch nationality of MFE. In particular, the proposed amendments do not affect the economics of the

Merger and do provide for any constraints on shareholders. Rather, the proposed amendments envisage the deletion of certain provisions which, despite being held valid and responding to a specific interest shared by the merging companies, were objected by Vivendi and SimonFid; such provisions are envisaged to be deleted by accepting – and going beyond – the proposals suggested by the Court of Milan, on the assumption that a prompt completion of the Merger prevails over its individual components.

- 33. For further information on the differences between the rights currently enjoyed by Mediaset shareholders and the rights to which they will be entitled as holders of MFE shares (without prejudice to the amendments indicated in this Report), reference is made to the Explanatory Report and to the documentation that has been made available in relation to the Merger.
- 34. Furthermore, the approval of the Resolution Proposal, as referred to in this Report, will not in any way affect the assessments already made in the Explanatory Report with respect to creditors. In particular, the proposed resolution indicated in this Report does not give rise to any prejudice, neither of a financial nor of an asset nature, for the merging companies.
- 35. Conclusively, the approval Resolution Proposal, as referred to in this Report, will not in any way affect the assessments already made in the Explanatory Report with respect to Mediaset and Mediaset España's employees.

VI. Conditions precedent to the Merger and update on the Merger process

- 36. In relation to the conditions precedent to the Merger, as indicated under Paragraph 17.1 of the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan as well as under Paragraph 1.2 of the Report, and with particular respect to that relating to the aggregate maximum amount of cash to be paid by Mediaset and Mediaset España to their respective shareholders exercising their withdrawal rights and/or to their respective creditors exercising their right of opposition to the Merger, the following should be noted.
- 37. With reference to Mediaset
 - (i) Following registration with the Companies' Register of Milan of the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of Mediaset held on 4 September 2019, occurred on 6 September 2019, (i) the term for the exercise of the withdrawal right, granted to Mediaset shareholders who did not participate in the adoption of the Merger, and (ii) the term for the exercise of the right of opposition to the Merger, granted to creditors of Mediaset whose credits arose prior to the date of filing of the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan, started running.
 - (ii) Withdrawal rights were exercised in relation to No. 492,691 Mediaset shares and no opposition was filed by creditors. Neither Vivendi nor SimonFid exercised their withdrawal rights.

- (iii) Upon expiration of the statutory rights' offer period, Mediaset shareholders who did not exercise their withdrawal rights elected to purchase No. 239,092 Mediaset shares in relation to which withdrawal rights were exercised.
- (iv) As required under Italian law, the No. 253,599 outstanding Mediaset shares which remained unsold in the context of the rights' offer will be acquired by MFE upon effectiveness of the Merger (and conditional upon completion of the same) at the withdrawal price, equal to Euro 2.770 per share.

38. With reference to Mediaset España

- (i) Following publication, on the Official Gazette of the Spanish Commercial Registry (*Boletin Oficial del Registro Mercantil*), of an announcement relating to the approval of the Merger by the general meeting of shareholders of Mediaset España, occurred on 10 September 2019, (i) the term for the exercise of the withdrawal right, granted to Mediaset España shareholders who voted against the Merger, and (ii) the term for the exercise of the right of opposition to the Merger, granted to creditors of Mediaset España whose credits arose prior to the date of publication of the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan, started running.
- (ii) Withdrawal rights were exercised in relation to No. 39,025,777 Mediaset España shares and no opposition was filed by creditors. Vivendi did not exercise the withdrawal right in relation to its Mediaset España shares.
- (iii) As required under Spanish law, Mediaset España shares in relation to which withdrawal rights were exercised will be acquired by Mediaset España, prior to the effective date of the Merger, at the withdrawal price, equal to Euro 6.5444 per share and, thus, for an aggregate cash disbursement of Euro 255,400,295.00.
- (iv) The number of Mediaset España withdrawn shares and the aggregate amount of cash to be paid by Mediaset España may be adjusted following the expiration of the term granted to Mediaset España withdrawing shareholders for revoking the exercise of their withdrawal rights, as indicated under Paragraph 31 above.
- 39. In any case, the completion of the Merger remains subject to the satisfaction (or to the waiver, as the case may be) of the other conditions precedent to the Merger, as provided for under the Common Cross-Border Merger Plan, and in case of approval of the Resolution Proposal, will further require without prejudice to this Report that the amendments to the Proposed Articles, the SVS Terms and Conditions, the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A Mediaset" and the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A Mediaset España", as referred to in this Report, are further approved by the general meeting of shareholders of DutchCo (which is a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of Mediaset).

VII. Decision-making process carried out in drafting the proposed amendments

- 40. With reference to the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset, at the meeting on 22 November 2019, the Board of Directors of Mediaset approved the Resolution Proposal, as indicated in this Report, unanimously. Once more, the industrial strategy of the Merger was welcomed by all directors.
- 41. With reference to the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Mediaset España, a resolution proposal akin to the Resolution Proposal will have to be approved by the board of directors of Mediaset España upon proposal of the Merger Committee with the abstention of the so-called proprietary directors, appointed by Mediaset, and of the executive directors, in accordance with the best practice and with Spanish applicable law.

VIII. The proposed resolution for the item on the agenda

The proposed resolution to be submitted to your approval is attached herein below.

"The shareholders' meeting

resolves

- to approve, in accordance with Article 2377, paragraph 8, and Article 2502, paragraph 2, of 1. the Italian civil code, the following amendments to the common merger plan relating to the crossborder merger by absorption of "Mediaset S.p.A." and "Mediaset España Comunicación, S.A." with and into "Mediaset Investment N.V." (which will – upon effectiveness of the merger – be renamed "MFE - MEDIAFOREUROPE N.V."), a Dutch wholly-owned direct subsidiary of "Mediaset S.p.A.", having its official seat in Amsterdam (the Netherlands) and its principal offices at viale Europa 46, 20093 Cologno Monzese (Milan – Italy), registered in the Dutch commercial register under number 70347379, which common merger plan was approved by the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of "Mediaset S.p.A." held on 4 September 2019 - as results from the minutes executed by Notary public Mr. Arrigo Roveda of Milan dated 5 September 2019 (No. 54665/20368 of repertory) – whose resolution was registered with the Companies' Register of Milan, Monza, Brianza and Lodi on 6 September 2019; more precisely, to approve amendments to certain articles of the proposed version of the articles of association of "Mediaset Investment N.V." (which will be renamed "MFE - MEDIAFOREUROPE N.V."), attached as Schedule 2 to the merger plan (the **Proposed Articles**); to certain articles of the "Terms and Conditions for Special Voting" Shares", attached as Schedule 5 to the merger plan (the **SVS Terms and Conditions**); and to certain clauses of the 'Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A - Mediaset" and of the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A – Mediaset España", attached as Schedule 3 and Schedule 4 to the merger plan, respectively, relating to:
 - (i) the elimination from the Proposed Articles, the SVS Terms and Conditions, the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A -Mediaset" and the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A – Mediaset España", of all references to the Qualified Shareholding Obligation and the Contractual Obligation, to be considered together

with the sanctions provided for in the event of a breach of the same, thus amending articles 13, 42 and 43 of the Proposed Articles, articles 4.4, 5.3, 6.3, 7.3, 8.4, 11.1, sub d) and e) of the SVS Terms and Conditions (as well as of article 1.1 of Schedule 1 to the same), and Paragraph 6 of the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A - Mediaset" and the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A – Mediaset España";

- (ii) the amendment of the definition of "acting in concert" provided under Article 1.1 of the Proposed Articles, thus amending article 1.1, first alinea, of the Proposed Articles;
- (iii) the elimination of the conventional threshold (set at 25% of voting rights) triggering the obligation to launch a takeover bid, as set out under article 43 of the Proposed Articles, thus amending article 43 (article 42 of the amended version) of the Proposed Articles;
- (iv) the elimination of the enhanced majorities provided for under the Proposed Articles in relation to the appointment and revocation of directors and to the amendment of the articles of association, thus amending articles 15.2, 15.6, and 40.1 of the Proposed Articles, and the introduction of an enhanced majority to be provided in case of resolutions aimed at re-introducing restrictions similar to those whose elimination is proposed under (i) and (iii) above;
- (v) the elimination of the penalty clause provided for under article 13 of the SVS Terms and Conditions, thus amending the same article,

all the above as results from the explanatory report of the board of directors, made available at the company's registered office and on the company website on 5 December 2019, which has been drawn up so to illustrate – on a comparative basis – the text of the Proposed Articles, the SVS Terms and Conditions, the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A - Mediaset" and the "Terms and Conditions for the Initial Allocation of Special Voting Shares A – Mediaset España", attached to the merger plan approved on 4 September 2019, with evidence (in bold and in the right column) of the proposed amendments.

All the other terms and conditions – as approved by the extraordinary meeting of shareholders on 4 September 2019, and laid down in the common cross-border merger plan and in the explanatory report of the board of directors, approved by the board of directors on 7 June 2019 – remain unaltered;

2. to grant to the board of directors, and on its behalf to its Chairman, its Vice-Chairman and its Chief Executive Officer pro tempore in office, as well as to the director Marco Giordani, severally and not jointly – each of them being entitled to appoint special attorneys to this end – with all other necessary powers in order to execute the present resolution (also confirming, as far as necessary, the powers granted to the same with the resolution adopted on 4 September 2019) so to execute the merger, in accordance with the applicable laws and the contents of the common merger plan, and with the power and authority – in particular – to verify and ascertain the satisfaction or the waiver (to the extent provided) of each condition precedent referred to in the common cross-border merger plan, to issue and sign deeds and statements with respect to such circumstance, to establish the effects of the transaction, to execute and sign deeds and documents

in general and to carry out anything necessary, or even only appropriate, in order to properly complete the transaction".

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Milan, 22 November 2019

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Mediaset the Chairman Fedele Confalonieri