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Openbaarmaking van transparantiekennisgeving(en) ontvangen door KBC Groep NV

(artikel 14, eerste lid van de wet van 2 mei 2007 op de openbaarmaking van belangrijke deelnemingen)

Samenvatting van de kennisgeving(en)

KBC Groep NV ontving een op 24 oktober 2018, 25 oktober 2018, 26 oktober 2018 en 29 oktober 2018 gedateerde transparantiekennisgeving, waaruit blijkt – als eindresultaat - dat BlackRock Inc. de rapporteringsdrempel van 5% ('totaal stemrechten en equivalente instrumenten') opwaarts overschreden heeft.

Inhoud van de kennisgeving(en)

Die kennisgeving(en) bevat(ten) de volgende informatie:

- Reden van de kennisgeving(en): aankoop of verkoop van effecten met stemrechten
- Kennisgeving door: BlackRock Inc.
- Kennisgevingsplichtige personen: zie bijlage
- Transactiedatum: 23 oktober 2018, 24 oktober 2018, 25 oktober 2018 en 26 oktober 2018
- Overschreden drempel: 5%
(noteer: voor KBC Groep is de statutaire drempel voor kennisgevingen 3% van het totaal aantal stemrechten; daarboven gelden de wettelijke drempels van 5% en elk veelvoud daarvan)
- Noemer (aantal aandelen KBC Groep NV): 415 897 567
- Details van de kennisgeving(en): zie bijlage. Het aantal KBC aandelen met stemrecht en equivalente financiële instrumenten bij BlackRock bedroeg, in procent van het totaal aantal KBC-aandelen, respectievelijk 4.86% en 0.07% op 23 oktober 2018, 4.92% en 0.08% op 24 oktober 2018, 4.88% en 0.08% op 25 oktober 2018 en 5,04% en 0,08% op 26 oktober 2018.
- Keten van gecontroleerde ondernemingen via dewelke de deelneming daadwerkelijk wordt gehouden: Zie "11: Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held" in de PDF-file(s) op www.kbc.com (zie hieronder).
- De betrokken kennisgeving(en) vindt u op de website www.kbc.com > investor relations > aandeelhoudersinformatie > aandeelhoudersstructuur.

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* Dit nieuwsbericht bevat informatie waarop de Europese transparantieregelgeving voor beursgenoteerde bedrijven van toepassing is. KBC Groep is genoteerd op NYSE Brussels.

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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.	38 966	38 966		0,01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	11 210	11 210		0,00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1 759 479	1 840 235		0,44%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	261 309	258 210		0,06%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	139 349	139 392		0,03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1 539 479	1 540 909		0,37%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	2 265	2 265		0,00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	70 838	36 514		0,01%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3 669 618	3 680 561		0,88%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	3 398 534	3 399 339		0,82%	
BlackRock International Limited	59 019	59 019		0,01%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	69 241	69 241		0,02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	7 851 585	7 728 753		1,86%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	628 517	589 251		0,14%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	1 117 079	828 391		0,20%	
Subtotal	20 616 488	20 222 256		4,86%	
TOTAL		20 222 256	0	4,86%	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			3 486	0,00%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1 350	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			44 219	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	Contract For Difference			4 042	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			207 888	0,05%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			4 465	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			36 555	0,01%	cash
TOTAL				302 005	0,07%	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights
CALCULATE	20 524 261	4,93%

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	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.	38 966	38 966		0,01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	11 210	11 210		0,00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1 840 235	1 830 904		0,44%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	258 210	283 044		0,07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	139 392	139 392		0,03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1 540 909	1 539 109		0,37%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	2 265	2 265		0,00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	36 514	36 514		0,01%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3 680 561	3 679 101		0,88%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	3 399 339	3 399 931		0,82%	
BlackRock International Limited	59 019	59 019		0,01%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	69 241	69 241		0,02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	7 728 753	7 672 336		1,84%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	589 251	594 134		0,14%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	828 391	1 112 998		0,27%	
Subtotal	20 222 256	20 468 164		4,92%	
TOTAL		20 468 164	0	4,92%	0,00%

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BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			3 486	0,00%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1 350	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			44 219	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	Contract For Difference			4 042	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			229 742	0,06%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			8 427	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			36 555	0,01%	cash
TOTAL				327 821	0,08%	

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CALCULATE		20 795 985	5,00%

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BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0,00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	38 966	38 966		0,01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	11 210	11 210		0,00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1 830 904	1 899 099		0,46%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	283 044	282 400		0,07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	139 392	139 392		0,03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1 539 109	1 539 109		0,37%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	2 265	2 265		0,00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	36 514	36 514		0,01%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3 679 101	3 678 690		0,88%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	3 399 931	3 425 064		0,82%	
BlackRock International Limited	59 019	59 019		0,01%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	69 241	69 241		0,02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	7 672 336	7 614 678		1,83%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	594 134	598 418		0,14%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	1 112 998	918 755		0,22%	
Subtotal	20 468 164	20 312 820		4,88%	
TOTAL		20 312 820	0	4,88%	0,00%

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BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			3 486	0,00%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1 350	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			44 219	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	Contract For Difference			4 042	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			235 107	0,06%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			9 279	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			36 555	0,01%	cash
TOTAL				334 038	0,08%	

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CALCULATE	20 646 858	4,96%

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BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0,00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	38 966	38 966		0,01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	11 210	11 210		0,00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1 899 099	2 315 172		0,56%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	282 400	285 739		0,07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	139 392	139 666		0,03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1 539 109	1 539 109		0,37%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	2 265	2 265		0,00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	36 514	36 514		0,01%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3 678 690	3 676 236		0,88%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	3 425 064	3 426 001		0,82%	
BlackRock International Limited	59 019	59 019		0,01%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	69 241	69 241		0,02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	7 614 678	7 551 363		1,82%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	598 418	607 981		0,15%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	918 755	1 202 079		0,29%	
Subtotal	20 312 820	20 960 561		5,04%	
TOTAL		20 960 561	0	5,04%	0,00%

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BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1 350	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			44 219	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	Contract For Difference			4 042	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			239 019	0,06%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			9 279	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			36 555	0,01%	cash
TOTAL				334 464	0,08%	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights
CALCULATE	21 295 025	5,12%