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REGULATED INFORMATION

## Ageas and BlackRock: Transparency notification

In accordance with the rules on financial transparency\*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 13 May 2019 that, on 9 May 2019, its interest has exceeded the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas (in section 10A). Its current shareholding stands at 5.17%.

Reason for the notification

Acquisition or disposal of financial instruments that are treated as voting securities

Notification by

A parent undertaking or a controlling person

Persons subject to the notification requirement See annex 1a

Date on which the threshold is crossed 9 May 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5% shares

Denominator 203,022,199

Notified details See annex 1b

Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held, if applicable The full chain of command can be found on https://www.ageas.com/investors/shareholders

### Additional information

The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. (section 10A) crossing the threshold of 5%. Additionally, total holdings for BlackRock Inc. went above 5%.

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<sup>\*</sup> article 14, paragraph 1 of the law of 2 May 2007 on disclosure of major holdings us provisions.



# ANNEX 1a

Name	Address (for legal entities)		
BlackRock, Inc.	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.		
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	Rembrandt Tower, 17th floor, Amstelplein, Amsterdam, Netherlands		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	20 Anson Road #18-01, Singapore, 79912, Singapore		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, DE, 19809, U.S.A.		
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	161 Bay Street, Suite 2500, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2S1, Canada		
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	Lenbachplatz 1 1st Floor, Munich, 80333-MN3, Germany		
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	15/F, 16/F, 17/F Citibank Tower & 17/F ICBC Tower, 3 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.		
BlackRock International Limited	Exchange Place One, 1 Semple Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BL, U.K.		
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	Level 26, 101 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000, Australia		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	1 University Square Drive, Princeton, NJ, 8540, U.S.A.		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	1-8-3 Marunouchi Chiyoda-ku, Trust Tower Main, Tokyo, 100-8217, Japan		



# ANNEX 1b

A) Voting rights	Previous notification		After the transaction		
	# of voting rights	# of voti	ng 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.	28,638	28,638		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	14,848	14,848		0.01%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	2,381,263	2,587,014		1.27%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	108,128	123,533		0.06%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	134,846	134,846		0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	370,273	306,853		0.15%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	24,350	30,850		0.02%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	17,830	23,687		0.01%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,082,308	3,087,790		1.52%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,780,429	2,842,031		1.40%	
BlackRock International Limited	3,980	4,403		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	56,634	56,634		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	602,223	563,119		0.28%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	387,296	386,881		0.19%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	131,791	131,286		0.06%	
Subtotal	10,124,837	10,322,413		5.08%	
TOTAL		10,322,413	0	5.08%	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			53,570	0.03%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			6	0.00%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			2,217	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference			3,675	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			17,129	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			571	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference			105,907	0.05%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depositary Receipt			76	0.00%	
TOTAL				183,151	0.09%	•

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights	
	CALCULATE	10,505,564	5.17%	



This <u>press release</u> and the notifications received by Ageas are available on the <u>website</u>.

Ageas is a listed international insurance Group with a heritage spanning 190 years. It offers Retail and Business customers Life and Non-Life insurance products designed to suit their specific needs, today and tomorrow. As one of Europe's larger insurance companies, Ageas concentrates its activities in Europe and Asia, which together make up the major part of the global insurance market. It operates successful insurance businesses in Belgium, the UK, France, Portugal, Turkey, China, Malaysia, India, Thailand, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Singapore, and the Philippines through a combination of wholly owned subsidiaries and long term partnerships with strong financial institutions and key distributors. Ageas ranks among the market leaders in the countries in which it operates. It represents a staff force of over 45,000 people and reported annual inflows of over EUR 34 billion in 2018 (all figures at 100%).