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2 December 2021 Company announcement no. 54/2021



## Alm. Brand A/S announces registration of new shares

Alm. Brand A/S ("Alm. Brand" or the "Company") today announces that the rights issue (the "Offering") of 1,387,026,000 new shares ("the "New Shares") pursuant to the prospectus dated 8 November 2021 (the "Prospectus") has been registered with the Danish Business Authority and that consequently, the Offering has been completed and the Company's registered share capital is nominally DKK 1,541,140,000 divided into 1,541,140,000 shares with a nominal value of DKK 1 each.

Defined terms in this announcement shall, unless otherwise defined herein, have the same meanings as set out in the Prospectus.

The gross proceeds of the Offering will total DKK 10.47 billion and the net proceeds (gross proceeds after deduction of estimated expenses payable by Alm. Brand) are expected to total approximately DKK 10.24 billion.

Admission to trading and official listing of the New Shares under the existing ISIN code, DK0015250344, is expected to take place on 3 December 2021. As soon as possible thereafter, the interim ISIN code of the Interim Shares, DK0061678109, will be merged with the ISIN code of the Existing Shares, DK0015250344, and the Interim Shares will automatically be converted into New Shares, expected to take place on 6 December 2021.

Until such merger has been completed, the liquidity and market price of the Interim Shares under the interim ISIN code may be substantially different from the liquidity and market price of the Existing Shares.

The Existing Shares are admitted to trading and official listing on Nasdaq Copenhagen under the symbol "ALMB".

The Company's articles of association have been updated to reflect the capital increase and are available at the Company's website www.almbrand.dk.

## Expected timetable of principal events

The timetable for main events relating to the Offering is as follows:

Official listing of and trading of the New Shares under the existing ISIN code 3 December 2021

Merger of the interim ISIN code for the Interim Shares and the ISIN code for the Existing 6 December 2021 Shares in VP Securities

The above timetable is subject to change. Any change will be announced via Nasdaq Copenhagen.

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Notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, distributors should note that: (i) the price of the Shares may decline and investors could lose all or part of their investment; (ii) the Shares offer no guaranteed income and no capital protection; (iii) and an investment in the Shares is compatible only with investors who do not need a guaranteed income or capital protection, who (either alone or in conjunction with an appropriate financial or other adviser) are capable of evaluating the merits and risks of such an investment and who have sufficient resources to be able to bear any losses that may result therefrom.

The Target Market Assessment is without prejudice to the requirements of any contractual, legal or regulatory selling restrictions in relation to the Offering. Furthermore, it is noted that, notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, the Managers will only procure investors who meet the criteria of professional clients and eligible counterparties (except for a public offering to investors in Denmark conducted pursuant to this Prospectus that has been approved by and registered with the Danish FSA).

For the avoidance of doubt, the Target Market Assessment does not constitute: (i) an assessment of suitability or appropriateness for the purposes of MiFID II; or (ii) a recommendation to any investor or group of investors to invest in, or purchase, or take any other action whatsoever with respect to, the Offer Shares. Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the Pre-emptive Rights, the Interim Shares and the New Shares and determining appropriate distribution channels.