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**REGULATED INFORMATION** 

#### Ageas and BlackRock: Transparency notification

In accordance with the rules on financial transparency\*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 11 December 2020 that, on 9 December 2020, its interest has fallen below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 4.98%.

Reason for the notification

Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights

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 December 2020

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5%

Denominator 194.553.574

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 <a href="https://www.ageas.com/investors/shareholders">https://www.ageas.com/investors/shareholders</a>

#### Additional information

The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. going below 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	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, 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 37 Chifley Tower, 2 Chifley Square, Sydney NSW 2000, 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 vot	ing 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.	21,246	21,246		0.01%		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	315	315		0.00%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,351,783	1,326,534		0.68%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	80,157	80,157	80,157			
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	143,108	144,703	144,703			
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	987,193	988,043		0.51%		
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	27,781	27,781		0.01%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	50,401	50,401		0.03%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,449,136	3,449,136		1.77%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,524,461	2,524,461		1.30%		
BlackRock International Limited	2,476	2,476		0.00%		
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	70,245	70,245		0.04%		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	416,555	379,448		0.20%		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	278,455	278,455		0.14%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	211,728	211,441		0.11%		
Subtotal	9,615,040	9,554,842		4.91%		
Т	OTAL	9,554,842	0	4.91%	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			82,244	0.04%	physical	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			41,782	0.02%	physical	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			2,463	0.00%	cash	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			87	0.00%	cash	
	TOTAL			126,576	0.07%		

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	CALCULATE	9,681,418	4.98%



In accordance with the rules on financial transparency\*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 9 December 2020 that, on 8 December 2020, its interest has exceeded the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 5.01%.

Reason for the notification Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights

Notification by A parent undertaking or a controlling person

Persons subject to the notification requirement See annex 1c

Date on which the threshold is crossed 8 December 2020

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5%

Denominator 194,553,574

Notified details See annex 1d

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. going above 5%.

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



## ANNEX 1c

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	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, 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 37 Chifley Tower, 2 Chifley Square, Sydney NSW 2000, 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

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## ANNEX 1d

A) Voting rights	<b>Previous notification</b>	After the transaction				
	# of voting rights	# of voti	ng rights	% of vot	ing 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.	21,246	21,246		0.01%		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	315	315		0.00%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,129,397	1,351,783		0.69%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	81,619	80,157	80,157			
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	143,931	143,108	43,108			
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	985,304	987,193		0.51%		
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	27,781	27,781		0.01%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	51,007	50,401		0.03%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,447,904	3,449,136		1.77%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,535,380	2,524,461		1.30%		
BlackRock International Limited	4,276	2,476		0.00%		
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	70,245	70,245		0.04%		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	362,664	416,555		0.21%		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	278,518	278,455		0.14%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	343,546	211,728		0.11%		
Subtotal	9,483,133	9,615,040		4.94%		
ī	TOTAL	9,615,040	0	4.94%	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			82,244	0.04%	physical	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			41,782	0.02%	physical	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			2,463	0.00%	cash	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			87	0.00%	cash	
	TOTAL			126,576	0.07%		

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	CALCULATE	9,741,616	5.01%



In accordance with the rules on financial transparency\*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 8 December 2020 that, on 4 December 2020, its interest has fallen below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 4.98%.

Reason for the notification

Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights

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 1e

Date on which the threshold is crossed 4 December 2020

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5%

Denominator 194,553,574

Notified details See annex 1f

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. going below 5%.

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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	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.
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## ANNEX 1f

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.	21,246	21,246		0.01%		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	315	315		0.00%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,274,628	1,129,397		0.58%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	83,030	81,619		0.04%		
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	144,893	143,931		0.07%		
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	982,934	985,304		0.51%		
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	27,781	27,781		0.01%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	52,012	51,007		0.03%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,441,975	3,447,904		1.77%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,531,233	2,535,380		1.30%		
BlackRock International Limited	6,599	4,276		0.00%		
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	68,865	70,245		0.04%		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	348,104	362,664		0.19%		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	279,067	278,518		0.14%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	265,859	343,546		0.18%		
Subtotal	9,528,541	9,483,133		4.87%		
	TOTAL	9,483,133	0	4.87%	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			154,385	0.08%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			44,885	0.02%	physical
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			8,557	0.00%	cash
	TOTAL			207,827	0.11%	

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	CALCULATE	9,690,960	4.98%



This press release and the notifications received by Ageas are available on the website.

Ageas is a listed international insurance Group with a heritage spanning almost 200 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 36 billion in 2019 (all figures at 100%).