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### Ageas and BlackRock: Transparency notification

In accordance with the rules on financial transparency<sup>\*</sup>, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 3 June 2020 that, on 2 June 2020, its interest has fallen below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 4.83%.

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 2 June 2020

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5% shares

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 <u>https://www.ageas.com/investors/shareholders</u>

Additional information The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. going below 5%.

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

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# 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 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.	21,246	21,246		0.01%		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	4,867	4,867		0.00%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,573,646	873,756		0.45%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	75,908	75,908		0.04%		
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	131,850	130,917		0.07%		
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1,455,058	1,471,598		0.76%		
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	27,781	27,781		0.01%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	12,471	12,471		0.01%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	2,278,018	2,289,439		1.18%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,624,017	2,607,364		1.34%		
BlackRock International Limited	3,573	3,573		0.00%		
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	75,381	75,381		0.04%		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	557,996	424,845		0.22%		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	277,028	272,870		0.14%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	258,161	137,019		0.07%		
Subtotal	9,377,001	8,429,035		4.33%		
I	TOTAL	8,429,035	0	4.33%	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			901,615	0.46%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Securities Lent			23,083	0.01%	physical
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			48,701	0.03%	cash
	TOTAL			973,399	0.50%	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights	
	CALCULATE	9,402,434	4.83%



In accordance with the rules on financial transparency<sup>\*</sup>, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 2 June 2020 that, on 29 May 2020, its interest has fallen below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares in the section 10A issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 5.32%.

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 29 May 2020

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5% shares

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 <u>https://www.ageas.com/investors/shareholders</u>

### Additional information

The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. (section 10A) going below 5%.

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



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## ANNEX 1d

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.	25,615	21,246		0.01%		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	4,867	4,867		0.00%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,579,134	1,573,646		0.81%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	90,269	75,908		0.04%		
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	142,580	131,850		0.07%		
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	290,318	1,455,058		0.75%		
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	28,099	27,781		0.01%		
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	62	0		0.00%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	52,179	12,471		0.01%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,042,353	2,278,018		1.17%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	3,023,154	2,624,017		1.35%		
BlackRock International Limited	3,573	3,573		0.00%		
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	75,381	75,381		0.04%		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	548,003	557,996		0.29%		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	536,653	277,028		0.14%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	583,141	258,161		0.13%		
Subtotal	10,025,381	9,377,001		4.82%		
	TOTAL	9,377,001	0	4.82%	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			902,601	0.46%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Securities Lent			23,083	0.01%	physical
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			50,845	0.03%	cash
	TOTAL			976,529	0.50%	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights	
	CALCULATE	10,353,530	5.32%



### 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 close to EUR 36 billion in 2019 (all figures at 100%).