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### Ageas and BlackRock: Transparency notification

In accordance with the rules on financial transparency<sup>\*</sup>, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 23 September 2019 that, on 20 September 2019, its interest has exceeded the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 5.15%.

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 20 September 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5% shares

Denominator 198,374,327

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 above 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	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 Capital Management, Inc.	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, 19809, U.S.A.
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 voting 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.	27,284	27,284		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	7,939	7,939		0.00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,233,578	1,607,488		0.81%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	108,806	108,806		0.05%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	146,911	146,618		0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	283,231	283,675		0.14%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	24,749	24,467		0.01%	
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	228	192		0.00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	30,677	30,677		0.02%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,083,391	3,084,129		1.55%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,878,340	2,877,573		1.45%	
BlackRock International Limited	3,890	3,890		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	54,473	54,473		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	488,797	467,357		0.24%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	270,044	370,864		0.19%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	182,361	182,360		0.09%	
Subtotal	8,824,699	9,277,792		4.68%	
	TOTAL	9,277,792	0	4.68%	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			567,732	0.29%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			180,866	0.09%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			3,627	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference			12,736	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			19,312	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			938	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference			162,553	0.08%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depositary Receipt			76	0.00%	
	TOTAL			947,840	0.48%	

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	CALCULATE	10,225,632	5.15%



In accordance with the rules on financial transparency\*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 23 September 2019 that, on 19 September 2019, its interest has fallen below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 4.94%.

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 2a

Date on which the threshold is crossed 19 September 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5% shares

Denominator 198,374,327

Notified details See annex 2b

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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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 Capital Management, Inc.	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, 19809, U.S.A.
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



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	# of voting rights	# of voting 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.	27,284	27,284		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	7,939	7,939		0.00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,892,265	1,233,578		0.62%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	108,806	108,806		0.05%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	146,911	146,911		0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	283,231	283,231		0.14%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	24,675	24,749		0.01%	
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	282	228		0.00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	30,685	30,677		0.02%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,082,482	3,083,391		1.55%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,878,340	2,878,340		1.45%	
BlackRock International Limited	3,890	3,890		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	54,473	54,473		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	630,827	488,797		0.25%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	262,752	270,044		0.14%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	428,434	182,361		0.09%	
Subtotal	9,863,276	8,824,699		4.45%	
	TOTAL	8,824,699	0	4.45%	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			581,074	0.29%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			185,374	0.09%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			3,627	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference			12,736	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			19,312	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			938	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference			162,553	0.08%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depositary Receipt			76	0.00%	
	TOTAL			965,690	0.49%	

TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	CALCULATE	9,790,389	4.94%



In accordance with the rules on financial transparency\*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 20 September 2019 that, on 18 September 2019, its interest went below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares in section 10A issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 5.23%.

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 3a

Date on which the threshold is crossed 18 September 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5% shares

Denominator 198,374,327

Notified details See annex 3b

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% (in section 10A).

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



## ANNEX 3a

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 Capital Management, Inc.	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, 19809, U.S.A.
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.
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### ANNEX 3b

A) Voting rights	Previous notification				After the tran	saction	
	# of voting rights		# of voti	ing rights		% of votin	g rights
Holders of voting rights		Linked t	o securities		ked to the surities	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.	0		0			0.00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	27,284	27	7,284			0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	7,939	7	,939			0.00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	2,181,218	1,8	92,265			0.95%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	108,806	10	8,806			0.05%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	146,911	14	6,911			0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	283,575	28	3,231			0.14%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	24,672	24	4,675			0.01%	
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc	. 232	:	282			0.00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	30,677	30	0,685			0.02%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,084,078	3,0	82,482			1.55%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,879,686	2,8	78,340			1.45%	
BlackRock International Limited	3,890	3	,890			0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	54,473	54	4,473			0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	639,408	63	0,827			0.32%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	264,200	26	2,752			0.13%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	182,349	42	8,434			0.22%	
Subtotal	9,919,398	9,8	63,276			4.97%	
	TOTAL	9,8	63,276		0	4.97%	0.00%
B) Equivalent financial instruments		After t	he transactio	on			
Holders of equivalent financial instruments	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise pe date	eriod or	of voting right that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised		s Settlement

TOTAL 511,594 0.26%				
TOTAL (A & B)		# of voting	rights % of	voting rights
	CALCULATE	10,374,8	370	5.23%

266,333

46,019

3.627

12,736

19,312

938

162,553

76

0.13%

0.02%

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BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

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BlackRock Advisors, LLC

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BlackRock Institutional Trust

Company, National Association BlackRock Investment Management

BlackRock Investment Management,

BlackRock Investment Management,

BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited Securities Lent

Securities Lent

Contract for Difference

Depositary Receipt



In accordance with the rules on financial transparency\*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 19 September 2019 that, on 17 September 2019, its interest exceeded the legal threshold of 5% of the shares in section 10A issued by Ageas. Its current total shareholding stands at 5.24%.

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 4a

Date on which the threshold is crossed 17 September 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %) 5% shares

Denominator 198,374,327

Notified details See annex 4b

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. (in section 10A) going above 5%.

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



## ANNEX 4a

Name	Address (for legal entities)
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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.
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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.	29956	27,284		0.01%			
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	7939	7,939		0.00%			
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1934991	2,181,218		1.10%			
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	108806	108,806		0.05%			
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	146608	146,911		0.07%			
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	308182	283,575		0.14%			
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	24958	24,672		0.01%			
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	375	232		0.00%			
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	21395	30,677		0.02%			
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3085289	3,084,078		1.55%			
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2892640	2,879,686		1.45%			
BlackRock International Limited	3890	3,890		0.00%			
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	54473	54,473		0.03%			
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	693660	639,408		0.32%			
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	376749	264,200		0.13%			
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	180130	182,349		0.09%			
Subtotal	9870041	9,919,398		5.00%			
TOTAL		9,919,398	0	5.00%	0.00%		

Holders of equivalent financial instruments	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise da	period or	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised		% of voting rights
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent				241,908		0.12%
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent				36,690		0.02%
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			3,627			0.00%
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference				12,736		0.01%
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			19,31			0.01%
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference				938		0.00%
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference				162,553		0.08%
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depositary Receipt				76		0.00%
TOTAL					477,840		0.24%
TOTAL (A & B)			# of voting rights %		% o	f voting rights	
		CALCUL	ATE	10,397,238		5.24%	



#### 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 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%).