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1 March 2023

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Castelnau Group Limited

Update to Placing Timetable

On 1 February 2023, Castelnau Group Limited (the "Castelnau" or the "Company") published a prospectus (the "Prospectus") containing details of a proposed Placing to raise proceeds for the Company's funding obligations in respect of the recommended cash offer for Dignity Plc (the "Dignity") by Yellow (SPC) Bidco Limited (the "Bidco"), a newly formed company indirectly owned or controlled by a consortium comprised of joint offerors SPWOne V Limited, Castelnau and Phoenix Asset Management Partners Limited ("PAMP"). The Placing is for up to 154,000,000 new Ordinary Shares in the Company and is conditional, inter alia, upon the completion of the Takeover Offer, which is itself subject to the Acceptance Condition and the FCA Change in Control Condition, as defined in the offer document (the "Offer Document") published by Bidco on 14 February 2023. Pursuant to the Offer Document, the latest date for acceptance of the Offer by Dignity Shareholders is 15 April 2023.

Due to the interconnected nature of the Placing and the Offer for Dignity, including the acceptance of the Alternative Offers outlined in the Offer Document, the Company, in consultation with Liberum Capital Limited (financial adviser to Castelnau in connection to the Placing), has decided to adjust the Placing Timetable, such that the latest time and date for receipt of commitments under the Placing will occur at a later stage in the Offer timetable, allowing investors further clarity on the status of the Offer at the point of their participation in the Placing. The latest time and date for receipt of Placing commitments will be midday 14 April 2023, given the latest date by which the Offer can be accepted by Dignity Shareholders is on 15 April 2023. In the event that the Company decides to close the Placing before this date, a further announcement will be made giving five business days notice of the revised latest time and date for Placing commitments.

Except where the context requires otherwise, defined terms herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Prospectus. A copy of the Prospectus and Offer Document are available on the Company's website at www.castelnaugroup.com, subject to certain access restrictions.

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Expected timetable

Publication of the Prospectus and Placing open	1 February 2023
Latest time and date for receipt of commitments under the Placing	midday on 14 April 2023 ¹
Announcement of the results of the Placing	7.00 a.m. on 17 April 2023 ¹
Admission and dealings in the Placing Shares commence	8.00 a.m. on 20 April 2023 or, if later, the date being three business days following the date on which the Takeover Offer has become or been declared unconditional
Crediting of CREST stock accounts in respect of the Placing Shares	as soon as reasonably practicable on the date of Admission
Where applicable, definitive share certificates despatched in respect of the Placing Shares	within 10 Business Days of Admission

¹ or such earlier date as announced by the Company, with five business days notice.

Notes:

- References to times above are to London times unless otherwise specified.
- All times and dates in the expected timetable may be adjusted by the Company. Any material changes to the timetable will be notified via an RIS.

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Moreover, the Company's securities will not be registered under the applicable securities laws of Australia, Canada, the Republic of South Africa, Japan or any member state of the EEA. Subject to certain exceptions, the Company's securities may not be offered or sold in Australia, Canada, the Republic of South Africa, Japan or any member state of the EEA or to, or for the account or benefit of, any national, resident or citizen of, Australia, Canada, the Republic of South Africa, Japan or any member state of the EEA. The Placing and the distribution of this announcement, in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law and accordingly persons into whose possession this announcement is received are required to inform themselves about and to observe such restrictions.

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The value of shares and the income from them is not guaranteed and can fall as well as rise due to stock market and currency movements. When you sell your investment you may get back less than you originally invested. Figures refer to past performance and past performance should not be considered a reliable indicator of future results.

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Notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, distributors should note that: (a) the price of the Shares may decline and investors could lose all or part of their investment; the Shares offer no guaranteed income and no capital protection; (b) 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, and (c) the Shares will be admitted to the Specialist Fund Segment, which is intended for institutional, professional, professionally advised and knowledgeable investors who understand, or who have been advised of, the potential risk from investing in companies admitted to the Specialist Fund Segment. The Target Market Assessment is without prejudice to the requirements of any contractual, legal or regulatory selling restrictions in relation to the Initial Issue and/or Subsequent Placings. Furthermore, it is noted that, notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, Liberum will only procure investors who meet the criteria of professional clients and eligible counterparties.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Target Market Assessment does not constitute: (a) an assessment of suitability or appropriateness for the purposes of the FCA's Conduct of Business Sourcebook; or (b) a recommendation to any investor or group of investors to invest in, or purchase, or take any other action whatsoever with respect to the Shares.

Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own Target Market Assessment in respect of the Shares and determining appropriate distribution channels.

PRIIPS REGULATION

In accordance with the PRIIPs Regulation, a Key Information Document prepared by PAMP in relation to the Ordinary Shares is available on the Company's website: www.castelnaugroup.com. If any C Shares are offered pursuant to the Placing Programme, a Key Information Document in respect of such C Shares will be prepared by PAMP and will be available to investors at www.castelnaugroup.com. It is the responsibility of each distributor of Ordinary Shares or C Shares to ensure that its "retail clients" are provided with a copy of the relevant Key Information Document.

PAMP is the only manufacturer of the Shares for the purposes of the PRIIPs Regulation and Liberum is not a manufacturer for these purposes. Liberum makes no representations, express or implied, or accepts any responsibility whatsoever for the contents of the Key Information Documents prepared by PAMP nor accepts any responsibility to update the contents of any Key Information Documents in accordance with the PRIIPs Regulation, to undertake any review processes in relation thereto or to provide such Key Information Documents to future distributors of Shares. Liberum and its affiliates accordingly disclaim all and any liability whether arising in tort or contract or otherwise which it or they might have in respect of any Key Information Documents prepared by PAMP.

Dealing disclosure requirements under the Takeover Code

Under Rule 8.3(a) of the Takeover Code, any person who is interested in 1% or more of any class of relevant securities of an offeree company or of any securities exchange offeror (being any offeror other than an offeror in respect of which it has been announced that its offer is, or is likely to be, solely in cash) must make an Opening Position Disclosure following the commencement of the offer period and, if later, following the announcement in which any securities exchange offeror is first identified.

An Opening Position Disclosure must contain details of the person's interests and short positions in, and rights to subscribe for, any relevant securities of each of (i) the offeree company and (ii) any securities exchange offeror(s). An Opening Position Disclosure by a person to whom Rule 8.3(a) applies must be made by no later than 3.30 p.m. on the 10th business day following the commencement of the offer period and, if appropriate, by no later than 3.30 p.m. on the 10th Business Day following the announcement in which any securities exchange offeror is first identified. Relevant persons who deal in the relevant securities of the offeree company or of a securities exchange offeror prior to the deadline for making an Opening Position Disclosure must instead make a Dealing Disclosure.

Under Rule 8.3(b) of the Takeover Code, any person who is, or becomes, interested in 1% or more of any class of relevant securities of the offeree company or of any securities exchange offeror must make a Dealing Disclosure if the person deals in any relevant securities of the offeree company or of any securities exchange offeror. A Dealing Disclosure must contain details of the dealing concerned and of the person's interests and short positions in, and rights to subscribe for, any relevant securities of each of (i) the offeree company and (ii) any securities exchange offeror(s), save to the extent that these details have previously been disclosed under Rule 8. A Dealing Disclosure by a person to whom Rule 8.3(b) applies must be made by no later than 3.30 p.m. on the Business Day following the date of the relevant dealing. If two or more persons act together pursuant to an agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal, to acquire or control an interest in relevant securities of an offeree company or a securities exchange offeror, they will be deemed to be a single person for the purpose of Rule 8.3.

Opening Position Disclosures must also be made by the offeree company and by any offeror and Dealing Disclosures must also be made by the offeree company, by any offeror and by any persons acting in concert with any of them (see Rules 8.1, 8.2 and 8.4). Details of the offeree and offeror companies in respect of whose relevant securities Opening Position Disclosures and Dealing Disclosures must be made can be found in the Disclosure Table on the Panel's website at www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk, including details of the number of relevant securities in issue, when the offer period commenced and when any offeror was first identified. You should contact the Panel's Market Surveillance Unit on +44 (0)20 7638 0129 if you are in any doubt as to whether you are required to make an Opening Position Disclosure or a Dealing Disclosure.

Right to request hard copies

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