



## **MERGER NOTICE NO 18: 2018**

### **THE ACQUISITION OF 50% SHAREHOLDING IN MEDICAL IMAGING BOTSWANA (PTY) LTD BY HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT SERVICES (PTY) LTD T/A GABORONE PRIVATE HOSPITAL, LEADING TO 100% SHAREHOLDING.**

Pursuant to section 56(1) of the Competition Act (Cap 46:09), the Competition Authority has received a merger notification for the acquisition of 50% shareholding in Medical Imaging Botswana (Pty) Ltd ("Medical Imaging") by Healthcare Management Services (Pty) Ltd ("Healthcare Management") t/a Gaborone Private Hospital ("GPH"), leading to 100% shareholding.

The acquiring enterprise, Healthcare Management, is a company incorporated in accordance with the Laws of the Republic of Botswana; and it is controlled by Life Healthcare Ltd (RSA) ("Life Healthcare"), Healthcare Holdings (Pty) Ltd ("Healthcare Holdings") and Belgram Investment (Pty) Ltd ("Belgram"). Healthcare Management in turn has controlling stakes in Gaborone Private Hospital Pathology (Pty) Ltd ("GPHP") and Medical Imaging (the target enterprise); both companies are registered in Botswana.

Life Healthcare is a company listed in the Johannesburg Stock Exchange; and controls the Life Healthcare Group of 63 hospitals in South Africa and Botswana. Healthcare Holdings is a company registered in Botswana; and is jointly controlled by Debswana Pension Fund ("DPF") and Botswana Insurance Fund Management ("BIFM"); both companies are registered in Botswana. Healthcare Holdings owns the building occupied by GPH as well as the adjacent residential block.

Belgram is an investment vehicle company registered in Botswana; and owned by Doctors with Admission Rights to GPH. Belgram is a pure investment vehicle and only holds shares in GPH and does not engage in any other business. GPHP provides laboratory services to GPH. The Directors of Healthcare Management are F.M. Ramagwede; E. Van Dyk; N. Khan (all South Africans); W. Chiguye; N. Bogatsu; and G. January (all Batswana).

The target enterprise, Medical Imaging, is a company incorporated in accordance with the Laws of the Republic of Botswana; and is controlled by Healthcare Management and two individual doctors: Dr Eugene Van Wyk Jooste, a South African; and Dr. Bethuel Ndosu, a Tanzanian. Both individuals have no other business interests in Botswana. Medical Imaging provides radio-diagnostics services. The Directors of Medical Imaging are F.M. Ramagwede; (South African); M. Gabonewe (Botswana).

According to section 57(3), of the Competition Act, "any person, including a third party not a party to the proposed merger, may voluntarily submit to the inspector or the Authority any document, affidavit, statement or other relevant information in respect of a proposed merger".

The Competition Authority therefore seeks any stakeholder views for or against the proposed merger, which may be sent within 10 days from date of this publication to the following address:

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