

## MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/15/060

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by Trinity Mirror of Local World

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has today cleared the proposed transaction whereby Trinity Mirror plc would acquire sole control over Local World Holdings Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 28 October 2015.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. As with all media mergers, the parties may proceed with this merger only if the Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources has determined that the result of the merger will not be contrary to the public interest in protecting plurality of the media in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the Determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

## **Additional Information**

Trinity Mirror is a UK newspaper publisher with a portfolio which includes national and regional newspapers and a range of digital products which build on its printed brands. Several of Trinity Mirror's national titles are distributed in the State, including the Irish Daily Mirror and Irish Sunday Mirror, which are complemented by a digital companion website; www.irishmirror.ie.

Local World is a publisher of regional and local newspapers in the UK, with a portfolio of daily titles, Metro franchises, paid weeklies and free weeklies. Local World also has a range of companion digital publishing websites, all of which are focussed on regional and local audiences and carry news particular to specific regions in the UK.