

MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/21/052

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by Associated Newspapers (Ireland) Limited, trading as DMG Media Ireland of sole control of sole control of Nalac Limited.

27 October 2021

On the 27 October 2021, the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission cleared the proposed transaction whereby Associated Newspapers (Ireland) Limited, trading as DMG Media Ireland, would acquire sole control of Nalac Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 20 September 2021.

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. 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

DMG Media Ireland is a wholly owned subsidiary of Daily Mail and General Trust Plc (“DMGT”). DMGT operates a number of businesses in the State which involve the publication of localised Irish newspapers (the Irish Daily Mail and the Irish Mail on Sunday), as well as a number of websites.

Nalac Limited is an Irish incorporated company which owns and operates Business Plus and Bizplus.ie.