

MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT M/26/027 – AXEL SPRINGER/TELEGRAPH MEDIA GROUP

Section 21 of the Competition Act 2002

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition whereby Axel Springer SE would acquire sole control of Telegraph Media Group Holdings Limited.

28 April 2026

The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has today cleared the proposed transaction whereby Axel Springer SE, would acquire sole control of Telegraph Media Group Holdings Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 13 April 2026.

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

Axel Springer SE is an international digital media and publishing company producing news and specialist content through print and online platforms. In the State, Axel Springer SE provides digital media and publishing services as part of its international media operations.

Telegraph Media Group Holdings Limited is a UK-based publisher of national newspapers and digital journalism, including *The Daily Telegraph* and *The Sunday Telegraph*. In the State, Telegraph Media Group Holdings Limited is active in digital journalism and the distribution of newspaper content.