



Update on Recommended Acquisition of Playtech

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On 18 October 2021, the boards of Playtech plc ("Playtech") and Aristocrat announced the terms of a recommended cash acquisition of Playtech for 680 pence for each Playtech share ("Recommended Acquisition").

Aristocrat notes the announcement by Playtech that it will further delay its shareholder meetings in relation to the Recommended Acquisition from 12 January 2022 to 2 February 2022 (UK time).

As a result, the UK Takeover Panel has confirmed that the latest date by which time JKO Play Limited ("JKO") must clarify its position has been moved to 5.00pm on 26 January 2022 (UK time). By this time, JKO must either announce a firm intention to make an offer for Playtech under Rule 2.7 of the UK Takeover Code, or announce that it does not intend to make an offer for Playtech.

Aristocrat's Recommended Acquisition remains the only firm offer that has been made for Playtech. The Recommended Acquisition provides attractive value in cash and enhanced regulatory and financial certainty for Playtech shareholders. Aristocrat further notes that any other potential bidders have already had a substantial amount of time to make an alternative proposal for Playtech. The decision to further delay the relevant shareholder meetings extends the period of uncertainty for all Playtech stakeholders.

Aristocrat is pleased to note the recent recommendations to Playtech shareholders from proxy advisers to vote in favour of all the resolutions to implement the Recommended Acquisition. Aristocrat further confirms that the regulatory approvals process remains well on track, and it is committed to completing the acquisition as quickly as possible.

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