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The divestiture of COBE CV

Stockholm, Sweden - Gambro AB (Stockholm Stock Exchange: GAMBaST, GAMBbST), a leading international healthcare company, today made the following announcement. The US antitrust agency the Federal Trade Commission has informed that they intend to investigate the Gambro divestiture of COBE CV to the Italian company Sorin Biomedica, which was announced end November 1998. The divestiture will be concluded after the approval of the competition authorities concerned.

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Gambro is a global healthcare company with leading positions in renal care - services and products – and blood component technology (BCT). Gambro is the second largest provider of kidney dialysis services in the world. Gambro treats about 40,000 patients in 460 clinics worldwide. Renal care products comprise dialyzers, dialysis machines, blood lines and dialysis fluid. BCT includes products for the separation and handling of blood components. The Group, with revenue of approximately SEK 18 billion (USD 2.3 billion) has 17,000 employees in some 40 countries.