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## Press Information

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### **ACCEPTANCE PERIOD EXTENDED IN VOLVO'S OFFER TO SCANIA'S SHAREHOLDERS**

In view of the fact that required regulatory approvals have not yet been received, the Board of Directors of Volvo has decided to for the time being extend the acceptance period in the offer to Scania's shareholders up to and including 29 March 2000. Settlement is expected to commence on 13 April 2000, provided that the acceptance period has not been further extended.

The European Commission is currently investigating Volvo's acquisition of Scania. Volvo expects to receive a final decision from the competition authorities on 23 March 2000 at the latest.

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