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Stockholm, 6 May 2011 The Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) plc

RBS acquires 100% of the shares in Centeni AB

The Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) today announced the acquisition of all shares in the shopping centre company Centeni AB.

In mid-February 2011 the former owners of the company agreed to release control over their shares in the company. With today's announcement, RBS steps in as the sole shareholder in Centeni AB, which means that the former owners have now also formally left the company.

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