

P r e s s r e l e a s e 12 April 2000

Approximately 99.9 percent acceptance in the offer to the shareholders in D&D

The offer from Hemköpskedjan AB (publ) ("Hemköp") to the shareholders in D&D Dagligvaror AB (publ) ("D&D") in connection with the combination between the companies has, during the initial and the prolonged acceptance periods, been accepted by shareholders in D&D representing approximately 99.9 percent of the total number of shares and votes in D&D.

Settlement for shares redeemed during the extended subscription period, from 26 February up to and including 7 April 2000, is expected to be initiated on 25 April 2000.

The Finnish Competition Authorities has not had any objections to the New Food Company's acquisition of a majority of the shares and votes in Spar Finland.

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