



COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

Audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 2019

Reference is being made to the publication of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 of Tumas Investments plc (the "**Company**" or "**Issuer**") and of the guarantor of the Company's two outstanding bond issues, Spinola Development Company Ltd ("**SDC**" or "**Guarantor**") which are originally due by 30th April 2020 (the "**Financial Statements**").

Financial Position of the Issuer and Guarantor

Both the board of directors of the Issuer and of SDC wish to assure their stakeholders, particularly bondholders of the Issuer, of the robustness of their respective financial position. Action has also been taken to mitigate the situation and manage the effects on cash flows by applying for the relevant government grants to support its commitment towards its employees. This is being done to reduce hardship which may otherwise have to be endured.

SDC can also rely on backstop financial facilities with related parties in case of cashflow shortfalls should the current situation prolong into the summer months. In so doing, the Tumas Group, which the Issuer and Guarantor form part of, is constantly assessing the situation in order to ensure that it has the required liquidity to meet commitments in order to see the Group's business through the pandemic period and beyond.

Audit of Financial Statements

Although the finalisation of the Financial Statements and the related audit process is ongoing and is actually at an advanced stage, yet as one can expect, the COVID-19 situation has placed certain constraints on human resources and imposed obvious logistical issues.

This will result in an inevitable delay in the finalisation of the necessary work on the said Financial Statements, particularly work related to valuation assessments and forecasts of the next 12 months. It is evident at this point that it will be premature and not prudent for SDC to make certain assumptions as to how matters will develop. Having said that, vigilance upon the situation is continuous so that the necessary valuation assessments will be embarked upon and carried out appropriately in due time. Furthermore, as a large segment of the Guarantor's revenue is derived from hotel operations, SDC is in contact with the hotel's managing company, which is assessing the global situation, in order to benefit from their international experience.

Re Tumas Investments plc

In view of the above, the Company expects to publish its audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 by no later than 30 June 2020. This position is in conformity with the public statement made by the European Securities & Markets Authority on 27 March 2020 and the circular issued by the Malta Financial Services Authority ("**MFSA**") on the same date.

Re Spinola Development Company Limited

For the same reasons highlighted above, SDC too expects to publish its audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 by no later than 30 June 2020. SDC has been granted an extension of two months by the MFSA in terms of the circular issued by the MFSA on the 20th March 2020.



Ray Sladden
Company Secretary

20th April 2020