



PRESS RELEASE

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ULYSSES AND UNIVAR MAKE GOOD PROGRESS WITH PREPARATIONS FOR RECOMMENDED PUBLIC OFFER

Following the joint public announcement dated 9 July 2007 by Ulysses Luxembourg S.a.r.l. (“Ulysses”), a company controlled by funds advised and managed by CVC Capital Partners (“CVC”) and Univar N.V. (“Univar”) regarding the proposed public offer for all the issued and outstanding ordinary shares in Univar (“Ordinary Shares”) at a price of EUR 53.50 per Ordinary Share in cash, cum dividend (the “Offer”), Ulysses and Univar confirm that the preparations for the Offer are well under way.

Pursuant to article 9g paragraph 3 of the Dutch Decree on the Supervision of the Securities Trade 1995 (*Besluit toezicht effectenverkeer 1995*) (“Bte”), Ulysses is required to make the Offer within six weeks from today. With reference to article 9g paragraph 1 sub a Bte, Ulysses expects the offering memorandum, containing the terms and conditions of the Offer, to be made publicly available in the second half of August 2007.

Further announcements will follow if and when the circumstances so require.

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