



HEINEKEN STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO PRESS SPECULATION ON KIRIN IN BRAZIL

Amsterdam, 20th January 2017 - In response to press speculation on Kirin in Brazil, HEINEKEN N.V. confirms that it is currently in discussions with Kirin Holdings Company, Limited regarding a potential transaction in respect of Brasil Kirin Holding S.A. These discussions are ongoing and there can be no certainty that an agreement will be reached. Further announcements will be made as appropriate.

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