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Press Release

Update intended offer by Advent for Mediq

Draft offer memorandum to be submitted to AFM later today

London, October 5, 2012 – AI Garden B.V., a newly incorporated wholly owned subsidiary of funds managed by Advent International Corporation, (**Advent**) announces that the preparations of its intended recommended public offer for Mediq N.V. (**Mediq**) are well under way.

On September 24, 2012 Advent and Mediq jointly announced conditional agreement on a recommended all-cash full public offer of EUR 13.25 per ordinary share for Mediq (the **Offer**).

The Offer values 100% of the issued and outstanding Mediq ordinary shares at approximately EUR 775 million. Advent will finance the maximum total amount of the Offer of approximately EUR 775 million through approximately EUR 515 million of equity and approximately EUR 260 million of debt.

As announced on September 24, 2012, Advent has sufficient funds available to complete the Offer. In order to finance the Offer, Advent has secured fully committed equity and debt financing, whereby the equity will be funded by certain Advent funds and the debt financing package received from a consortium of 5 reputable European financial institutions. Both the equity funding and the debt financing are fully committed.

The committed debt financing is subject to customary conditions consistent with the conditions to the Offer and in line with current market practice. Advent has no reason to believe that these conditions will not be fulfilled on or prior to the settlement date. The equity funding has been committed on an unconditional basis and will be made available when the offer is declared unconditional.

Advent will submit a request for approval of its draft offer memorandum to the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (**AFM**) later today.

It is expected that the Offer will be launched the end of this month.

Further announcements will be made as appropriate.

Further information

The information in this press release is not intended to be complete and for further information explicit reference is made to the offer memorandum, which is expected to be published during Q4 2012. The offer memorandum will contain details of the proposed Offer. The Mediq shareholders are advised to review the offer memorandum in detail.

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