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Finmeccanica receives Consob authorisation for Datamat offer

With regard to the takeover offer to be made by Finmeccanica Società per Azioni on the remaining ordinary shares of Datamat SpA, please note that CONSOB has given authorisation for the publication of the Offer Document, which will be made available to the public on 27 November 2006, the date on which the Offer Period begins.

MAIN POINTS OF THE OFFER**OFFER PERIOD**

The Offer Period, agreed with BORSA ITALIANA, will begin on 27 November 2006 and will conclude on 3 January 2007 (inclusive).

Acceptances of the Offer may be submitted on each trading day during the Offer Period, between 8 am and 5.30 pm.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS COVERED BY THE OFFER

The Offer covers **2,834,566 ordinary DATAMAT SHARES** with nominal value of EUR 2.58 each, corresponding to approximately 9.995% of the Issuer's share capital. These shares represent the entirety of the Issuer's share capital minus the 24,320,103 shares held by the Offerer and the 1,203,676 shares owned by Datamat itself (making a total of 25,523,779 ordinary shares, equivalent to around 90.005% of the share capital).

The Offer is valid only in Italy.

OFFER PRICE

The Offer price, set by CONSOB under resolution 15596 of 25 October 2006, is **EUR 9.911** per ordinary DATAMAT share. The maximum total Offer Price will therefore be EUR 28,093,383.62.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE OFFER

Acceptances will be collected via the stock exchange managed by BORSA ITALIANA SPA, and therefore it will not be necessary to fill out a form.

Any person wishing to accept the Offer must own ordinary dematerialised DATAMAT shares, duly registered in a securities account with an authorised intermediary belonging to MONTE TITOLI SPA's centralised system of securities management ("Depository Intermediary"), and must inform their respective Depository Intermediaries that they intend to accept the Offer at the price set by CONSOB. Depository Intermediaries must submit the Acceptances received to the Appointed Intermediary, either directly or via an intermediary authorised to trade on the Italian stock exchange.

Holders of non-dematerialised shares who intend to accept the Offer must first submit their share certificates to an authorised intermediary belonging to MONTE TITOLI SPA's centralised system of securities management. These will then be dematerialised and credited to a securities deposit account in the name of the shareholder.

Only shares which, at the moment of acceptance of the Offer, are duly recorded and available in a securities account in the name of the shareholder and registered with a Depository Intermediary may be tendered in acceptance of the Offer.

In particular, shares purchased on the market may be tendered in acceptance of the Offer only after the formal settlement of such transactions.

PAYMENT DATE AND METHOD

Payment will be made in cash on the third trading day after the receipt of the Acceptance. **The last payment date** will therefore be **8 January 2007**.

The payment will be made by the Offerer to the Appointed Intermediary, which, via the Depository Intermediaries, will make the payment to participating shareholders or their representatives in accordance with instructions received from the participating shareholders themselves.

On each payment date, at the same time as payment for the shares, the shares tendered in acceptance of the Offer will become the property of the Offerer, and will be deposited into the Offerer's securities deposit account.

CONDITIONS

This Offer is not conditional; in particular, it is not dependent upon a minimum number of Acceptances being received.

EXERCISE OF RIGHT TO PURCHASE

If, following the end of the Offer period, the Offerer owns more than 98% of DATAMAT's share capital, the Offerer shall declare its intention to exercise its right to purchase the remaining shares, pursuant to art. 111 of the TUF, within four months of the last payment date of 8 January 2007.

In this case, the purchase price will be set by an expert appointed by the President of the Court of Rome, taking account of the payment included in this Offer and the market price of ordinary DATAMAT shares in the last six months.

DELISTING

Following the Offer – and regardless of its result – with effect from the first trading day after the last payment day for the shares covered by the Offer (that is, from 9 January 2007), Borsa Italiana will delist DATAMAT ordinary shares from the MTAX market, and they will therefore no longer be traded on the regulated market.

PURPOSE OF THE OFFER

The purpose of the Offer is the acquisition and delisting of ordinary DATAMAT shares, in order to give the Offerer greater operational, financial and strategic flexibility in integrating the activities of DATAMAT and those of ELSAG SPA, a company fully controlled by FINMECCANICA, which operates in complementary sectors to the Issuer. As in the previous obligatory takeover offer, the Offerer's objective is to strengthen its position in information technology in the aerospace, defence and public administration sectors, areas in which DATAMAT is one of the leading national operators.

NOTE FROM THE ISSUER

The Board of Directors of DATAMAT has approved the terms and conditions of this Offer.