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Statement regarding Aegis Group plc

Paris, January 22 — Publicis Groupe would like to make clear that rumours on financial markets concerning a possible offer for Aegis PIc shares are groundless.

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