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PARTICULAR CONDITIONS RELATING TO OFFICIAL LISTINGS OF SECURITIES

CHAPTER III

Particular conditions relating to the admission to official listing of debt securities issued by an undertaking

Section 2

Conditions relating to the debt securities for which admission to official listing is sought

Article 53

The legal position of the debt securities must be in conformity with the laws and regulations to which they are subject.

Article 54

1 The debt securities must be freely negotiable.

2 The competent authorities may treat debt securities which are not fully paid up as freely negotiable if arrangements have been made to ensure that the negotiability of these debt securities is not restricted and that dealing is made open and proper by providing the public with all appropriate information.

Article 55

Where public issue precedes admission to official listing, the first listing may be made only after the end of the period during which subscription applications may be submitted. This provision shall not apply in the case of tap issues of debt securities when the closing date for subscription is not fixed.

Article 56

The application for admission to official listing must cover all debt securities ranking *pari passu*.

Article 57

1 For the admission to official listing of debt securities issued by undertakings which are nationals of another Member State and which debt securities have a physical form, it is necessary and sufficient that their physical form comply with the standards laid down in that other Member State. Where the physical form does not conform to the standards in force in the Member State in which admission to official listing is applied for, the competent authorities of that State shall make that fact known to the public.

2 The physical form of debt securities issued in a single Member State must conform to the standards in force in that State.

3 The physical form of debt securities issued by undertakings which are nationals of a non-member country must afford sufficient safeguard for the protection of the investors.