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Stock Exchange Announcement LIONTRUST ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC Update on the Acquisition of the Architas UK Investment Business

On 1 July 2020, Liontrust Asset Management Plc ("Liontrust"), the specialist independent fund management group, announced that it had entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement with Architas Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of AXA S.A., to purchase (the "Acquisition") the entire issued share capital of Architas Multi-Manager Limited and Architas Advisory Services Limited (together, the "Architas UK Investment Business") for a total consideration of up to £75 million (inclusive of the expected net asset value of the Architas UK Investment Business).

Liontrust further announces that the Acquisition completed on 30 October 2020, adding £5,691 million to assets under management and advice ("AuMA", calculated as at close of business on 23 October 2020 for the funds and as at 30 September 2020 for the investment advisory services) taking Liontrust AuMA to £26.8 billion¹.

John lons, Chief Executive of Liontrust, said: "This is an important strategic acquisition for Liontrust. Completing the purchase expands our distribution among financial advisers through the scale of the combined multi-asset businesses, the strength of the merged investment team, the broad range of multi-asset multi-manager portfolios and funds and enhanced client service.

"By offering both risk profiled funds and target risk portfolios, we will help advisers meet their suitability requirements by being able to choose the solution that best addresses their clients' individual needs for investment and risk.

"Given our investment, sales and marketing capability, I have great confidence that we will grow the multi-asset portfolios and funds over the next few years."

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Important Notices

¹ Liontrust AuMA as at 23 October 2020 was £21,060 million.

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