THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

UNLIMITED COMPANY HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF



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COMPANIES HOUSE

NATIONALE-NEDERLANDEN OVERSEAS FINANCE AND INVESTMENT COMPANY

ADOPTION OF TABLE A

- 1. In these articles "Table A" means Table A schedule to the Companies (Tables A to F) Regulations 1985 as amended by any other subordinate legislation coming into operation prior to the date of incorporation of the company.
- 2. The regulations contained in Table A shall, except where they are excluded or modified by these articles, apply to the company and, together with these articles, shall constitute the articles of the company, except that regulations 3, 32, 34 and 35 of Table A shall not apply to the company.
- 3. No regulations scheduled to any statute concerning companies shall apply to the company.

INTERPRETATION

- 4. References in Table A and in these articles to writing include references to any method of representing or reproducing words in a legible and non-transitory form.
- 5. Save as provided in the last preceding article, words and expressions which bear particular meaning in Table A shall bear the same respective meanings in these articles.

SHARE CAPITAL

6. The share capital of the company is £100 divided into 100 shares of £1 each¹.

By Special Resolution passed 01/08/91 the share capital was increased to £300,000,000 divided into 300,000,000 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 10/08/1995 the share capital was increased to £400,000,000 divided into 400,000,000 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 05/12/01 the share capital was reduced to £305,000,000 divided into 305,000,000 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 28/01/03 the share capital was reduced to £230,769,077 divided into 230,769,077 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 16/06/16 the share capital was reduced to £174,122,055 divided into 174,122,055 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 29/03/17 the share capital was reduced to £111,176,055 divided into 111,176,055 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 25/09/17 the share capital was reduced to £96,400,055 divided into 96,400,055 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 15/12/17 the share capital was reduced to £91,194,155 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 15/12/17 the share capital was reduced to £91,194,155 divided into 91,194,155 ordinary shares of £1. By Special Resolution passed 15/12/17 the share capital was reduced to £93,268,341 ordinary shares of £1.

- 7. Subject to the provisions of the Act and to any direction to the contrary which may be given by ordinary or other resolution of the company, any unissued shares of the company (whether forming part of the original or any increased capital) shall be at the disposal of the directors who may offer, allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons, at such times and for such consideration and upon such terms and conditions as they may determine.
- 8. Section 89(1) of the Act shall not apply to the allotment by the company of any equity security.
- 9. The company may by special resolution:
 - increase the share capital by such sum to be divided into shares of such amount as the resolution may prescribe;
 - (b) consolidate and divide all or any of its share capital into shares of a larger amount that its existing shares;
 - (c) subdivide its shares, or any of them, into shares of a smaller amount than its existing shares;
 - (d) cancel any shares which at the date of the passing of the resolution have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person; and
 - (e) reduce its share capital and any share premium account in any way

TRANSFER OF SHARES

- 10. The instrument of transfer of a subscriber's share which is not fully paid need not to be executed by or on behalf of the transferee. Regulation 23 of Table A shall be modified accordingly.
- 11. The directors may, in their absolute discretion and without giving any reason for so doing, decline to register any transfer of any share, whether or not it is a fully paid share. Regulation 24 of Table A shall be modified accordingly.

PURCHASE OF OWN SHARES

12. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Company may enter into any contract for the purchase of all of any of its shares of any class (including any redeemable shares) and any contract under which it may, subject to any conditions, become entitled or obliged to purchase all or any of such shares and may make payments in respect of the redemption or purchase of

such shares otherwise than out of distributable profits or the proceeds of a fresh issue of shares. Every contract entered into pursuant to this article shall be authorised by such resolution of the Company as may for the time being be required by law but subject thereto the directors shall have full power to determine or approve the terms of any such contract. Neither the Company nor the directors shall be required to select the shares in question rateably or in any other particular manner as between the holders of shares of the same class or as between them and the holders of shares of any other class or in accordance with the rights as to dividends or capital conferred by any class of shares. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Company may agree to the variation of any contract entered into pursuant to this article and to the release of any of its rights or obligations under any such contract. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the articles, the rights attaching to any class of shares shall not be deemed to be varied by anything done by the Company pursuant to this article.

GENERAL MEETINGS

13. The directors may call general meetings and, on the requisition of members pursuant to the provisions of the Act, shall forthwith proceed to convene an extraordinary general meeting for a date not later than four weeks after receipt of the requisition. Regulation 37 of Table A shall not apply.

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETINGS

14. Notice of any general meeting need not be given to the directors in their capacity as such.

The words "at least seven clear days' notice" shall be substituted for the words "at least 14 clear days' notice". Regulation 38 of Table A shall be modified accordingly.

PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- 15. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum is present when the meeting proceeds to business, but the absence of a quorum shall not preclude the nomination, election or choice of a chairman which shall not be treated for this purpose as part of the business of the meeting. Save as otherwise provided by the next succeeding article, two members present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote shall be a quorum for all purposes. Regulation 40 of Table A shall not apply.
- 16. If a quorum is not present within 15 minutes (or such longer time, not exceeding half an hour, as the chairman of the meeting may decide to wait) after the time appointed for the meeting, or if during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to

such day and at such time and place as the chairman of the meeting may determine and at such adjourned meeting one member present in person or by proxy (whatever the number of shares held by him) shall be a quorum. It shall not be necessary to give notice of any meeting adjourned through want of a quorum. Regulation 41 of Table A shall not apply.

VOTES OF MEMBERS

- 17. Regulation 57 of table A shall not apply.
- 18. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing, executed by or on behalf of the appointor and in any common form or in such other form as the directors may approve and shall be deemed to confer authority to vote on any amendment of a resolution put to the meeting for which it is given as the proxy thinks fit. The instrument of proxy shall, unless the contrary is stated therein, be valid as well for any adjournment of the meeting as for the meeting to which it relates. Regulations 60 and 61 of Table A shall not apply.

ALTERNATE DIRECTORS

- 19. Any director (other than an alternate director) may appoint any other director, or any other person who is willing to act, to be an alternate director and may remove from office an alternate director so appointed by him. Regulation 65 of Table A shall not apply.
- 20. An alternate director shall cease to be an alternate director if his appointor ceases for any reason to be a director. Regulation 67 of Table A shall not apply.

POWERS OF DIRECTORS

- 21. The directors may, by power of attorney or otherwise, appoint any person to be the agent of the company upon such terms (including terms as to remuneration) as they may think fit and may delegate to any person so appointed any of the powers vested in or exercisable by them including power to sub-delegate. The directors may remove any person appointed under this article and may revoke or vary such delegation but no person dealing in good faith and without notice of any such revocation or variation shall be affected by it. Regulation 71 of Table A shall not apply.
- 22. The company may exercise all the powers conferred by the Act with regard to having any official seal and such powers shall be vested in the directors. Subject to the provisions of the Act, any instrument to which an official seal is affixed shall be signed by such persons, if any, as the directors may from time to time determine.

23. The directors may, if they think fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same all or any part of the monies uncalled and remaining unpaid on any shares held by him.

DELEGATION OF DIRECTORS' POWERS

24. The directors may delegate any of their powers to committees consisting of such person or persons (whether directors of not) as they think fit. Regulation 72 of Table A shall be modified accordingly and references in Table A to a committee of directors or to a director as a member of such a committee shall include a committee established under this article or such person or persons.

APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

- 25. Any member holding, or any members holding in aggregate, a majority in nominal value of such of the issued share capital for the time being of the company as carries the right of attending and voting at general meetings of the company by memorandum in writing signed by or on behalf of him or them and delivered to the office or tendered at a meeting of the directors or at a general meeting of the company may at any time and from time to time appoint any person to be a director either to fill a vacancy or as an additional director or remove any director from office howsoever appointed.
- 26. Without prejudice to the powers conferred by the last preceding article, any person may be appointed a director by the directors either to fill a vacancy or as an additional director.
- 27. No director shall be required to retire or vacate his office, and no person shall be ineligible for appointment as a director, by reason of his having attained any particular age.
- 28. Regulations 73 to 80 (inclusive) and the last sentence of regulation 84 of Table A shall not apply.

DISQUALIFICATION AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

29. The office of a director shall be vacated not only upon the happening of any of the events mentioned in regulation 81 of Table A but also if he is removed from office pursuant to these articles. Regulation 81 of Table A shall be modified accordingly.

DIRECTORS' GRATUITIES AND PENSIONS

30. The directors may exercise all the powers of the company to provide benefits, either by the payment of gratuities or pensions or by insurance or in any other manner whether similar to the foregoing or not, for any director or former director or the relations, connections or

dependants of any director or former director who holds or has held any executive office or employment with the company or with any body corporate which is or has been a subsidiary of the company or with a predecessor in business of the company or of any such body corporate and may contribute to any fund and pay premiums for the purchase or provision of any such benefit. No director or former director shall be accountable to the company or the members for any benefit provided pursuant to this article and the receipt of any such benefit shall not disqualify any person from being or becoming a director of the company. Regulation 87 of Table A shall not apply.

31. The directors may by resolution exercise any power conferred by the Act to make provision for the benefit of persons employed or formerly employed by the company or any of its subsidiaries in connection with the cessation or the transfer to any person of the whole or part of the undertaking of the company or that subsidiary.

PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

- 32. Notice of a meeting of the directors shall be deemed to be properly given to a director if it is given to him personally or by word of mouth or sent in writing to him at his last known address or any other address given by him to the company for this purpose, or by any other means authorised in writing by the director concerned. A director absent or intending to be absent from the United Kingdom may request the directors that notices of meetings of the directors shall during his absence be sent in writing to him at an address or to a fax or telex number given by him to the company for this purpose, but if no request is made to the directors it shall not be necessary to give notice of a meeting of the directors to any director who is for the time being absent from the United Kingdom. A director may waive notice of any meeting either prospectively or retrospectively. Regulation 88 of Table A shall be modified accordingly.
- 33. All or any of the members of the board or any committee of the board may participate in a meeting of the board or that committee by means of a conference telephone or any communication equipment which allows all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other. A person so participating shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting and shall be entitled to vote or be counted in a quorum accordingly. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled, or, if there is no such group, where the chairman of the meeting then is.
- 34. A director who to his knowledge is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a contract or proposed contract (within the meaning of section 317 of the Act) with the

company shall declare the nature of his interest at a meeting of the directors in accordance with that section. Subject where applicable to such disclosure, a director shall be entitled to vote in respect of any such contract or proposed contract in which he is interested and if he shall do so his vote shall be counted and he shall be taken into account in ascertaining whether a quorum is present. Regulations 94 to 96 (inclusive) of Table A shall not apply.

NOTICES

- 35. Any notice or other document may be served on or delivered to any member by the company either personally or by sending it by post in a prepaid envelope or wrapper addressed to the member at his registered address, or by leaving it at that address addressed to the member, or by any other means authorised in writing by the member concerned. In the case of joint holders of a share, service or delivery of any notice or other document on or to one of the joint holders shall for all purposes be deemed a sufficient service on or delivery to all the joint holders. Regulation 112 of table A shall be modified accordingly.
- Any notice or other document, if sent by post, shall be deemed to have been served or delivered on the day following that on which it was put in the post and, in proving such service or delivery, it shall be sufficient to prove that the notice or document was properly addressed, stamped and put in the post. Any notice or other document left at a registered address otherwise than by post shall be deemed to have been served or delivered on the day it was so left. Regulation 115 of Table A shall not apply.
- Any notice or other document may be served on or delivered to any person or persons entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a member by the company in any manner which would be permitted by the articles if the person or persons concerned were a member or were members and either addressed to him or them by name or by the title of representatives of the deceased or trustee of the bankrupt or by any like description at the address (if any) within the United Kingdom supplied by him or them for that purpose. Until such address has been supplied, a notice or other document may be served on or delivered to the person or persons so entitled in any manner in which it might have been served or given if the death or bankruptcy had not occurred. Regulation 116 of Table A shall not apply.

INDEMNITY

38. Subject to the provisions of the Act, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which the person concerned may otherwise be entitled, every director or other officer or auditor of the company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the company against any liability incurred by him as such director or other officer or auditor in defending any proceedings, whether civil

or criminal, in which judgment is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or in connection with any application in which relief is granted to him by the court from liability. Regulation 118 of Table A shall not apply.

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