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Results at 31 March 2019

Key financial data:

| CHF million | 31 March 2019 | 31 March 2018 | 31 December 2018 | Variation * 2019/2018 |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Consolidated net result (Group share) | 91 | 61 | 361 | +30 |
| Net debt ** | 178 | 228 | 175 | +3 |
| Loan To Value *** | 1.7% | 2.0% | 1.9% | |
| Net asset value | 11'179 | 11'033 | 8'973 | +13.4% |
| Market capitalisation | 6'607 | 7'172 | 6'001 | +10.1% |

* Variation between March 2019 and March 2018 for the consolidated net result and between March 2019 and December 2018 for net debt, net asset value and market capitalisation.

** Pargesa's net debt (including 50% of GBL's net debt, the net debt amounts to CHF 428 million at end of March 2019 against CHF 566 million at end of December 2018 - see table at Point 4. *Net asset value*).

*** The Loan To Value ratio is calculated on the basis of (i) Pargesa's direct net debt relative to (ii) Pargesa's portfolio value.

Pargesa's consolidated net result (Group share) stands at CHF 91 million in Q1 2019. The increase in the contribution of private equity and other funds as well as net financial income more than offset the decrease in Imerys' contribution.

Pargesa's financial position remains sound, with a net financial debt of CHF 178 million.

Pargesa's net asset value rose 13.4% since the beginning of the year to CHF 10.2 billion at the end of March 2019.

Economic operating income: CHF 93.5 million compared with CHF 61.8 million in Q1 2018. Economic operating income in Q1 2019 includes a contribution from the portfolio amounting to CHF 85.6 million, compared with CHF 76.9 million in Q1 2018, reflecting:

- The operating contribution from Imerys for CHF 23.6 million in Q1 2019 compared with CHF 31.2 million in Q1 2018;
- The contribution from SGS (dividend) for CHF 50.4 million compared with CHF 49.6 million in Q1 2018;
- A contribution in Q1 2019 of CHF 11.0 million from private equity and other funds activities, compared with CHF -3.9 million in Q1 2018;
- A contribution in Q1 2019 of CHF 16.6 million from net financial income and expenses, compared with CHF -6.5 million in Q1 2018;

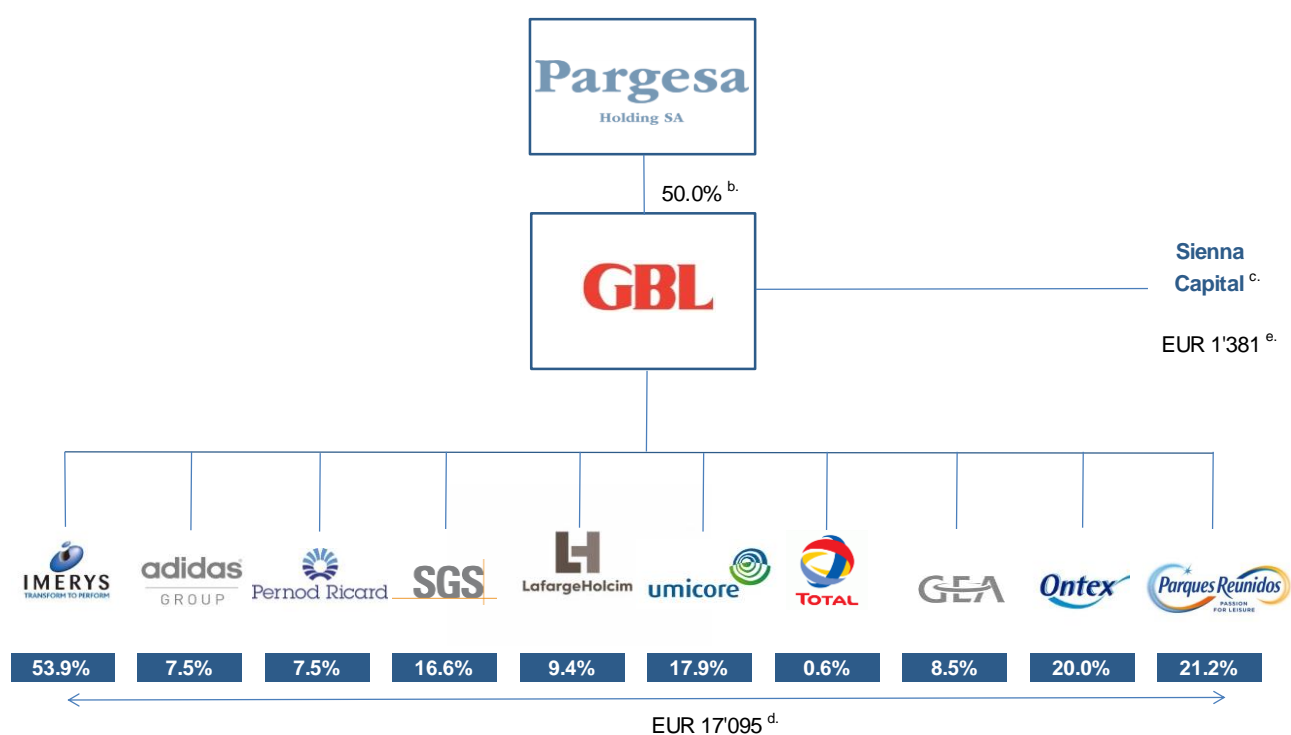
Non-operating income: CHF -2.5 million in Q1 2019, compared with CHF -1.2 million in Q1 2018.

It is worth noting that GBL sold 0.3% of the capital of adidas in Q1 2019, generating a gain of EUR 86 million (Pargesa's share: CHF 49 million). As per IFRS 9, this gain is recorded directly in shareholders' equity, and did not flow through income statement.

As a result of the above, Pargesa's **net income** stands at CHF 91.0 million in Q1 2019, compared with CHF 60.6 million in Q1 2018.

1. Group structure

The organisation chart below reflects the Group structure at 31 March 2019^a:



- The chart shows the main shareholdings of the portfolio. Shareholdings are expressed as a percentage of the capital held.
- 51.0% of voting rights (and of economic interest), taking into account the suspended voting rights related to GBL treasury shares.
- Comprising significant investments in private equity, debt or specific thematic funds.
- Market value in EUR millions of the main investments held by GBL at 31 March 2019.
- Estimated value in EUR millions at 31 March 2019.

2. 2019 highlights

- In a favorable market context, GBL finalized, in March and April 2019, its exit from the energy sector initiated in 2013, by selling 0.6% of **Total's** capital through forward sales maturing in January 2020. Sales were executed at an average spot price of EUR 50.52 per share and at an average forward price of EUR 48.37 per share. They have been prepaid¹ on 2 May 2019 for a total amount of EUR 771 million. The capital gain generated by these sales will amount to EUR 411 million at GBL's level and will not impact the consolidated net income in 2020, in accordance with IFRS 9. At maturity of these sales, on 24 January 2020, GBL's ownership in Total will be reduced to 0.01%. GBL will continue to receive dividends on the disposed shares until this date.
- GBL has also seized this market window to monetize 0.3% of **adidas'** capital for a net amount of EUR 139 million and generate a capital gain of EUR 86 million which does not impact the income statement under the accounting standard IFRS 9. GBL thus returns to its ownership level of 7.5% of the capital of adidas (7.8% as of 31 December 2018), prior to the passive relation consecutive to the cancellation of shares by adidas in October 2018. At the end of March 2019, the participation in adidas was valued at EUR 3'256 million.
- During the first quarter of 2019, GBL continued to strengthen its position in **Umicore**. At 31 March 2019, GBL holds a 17.9% stake in Umicore (17.7% at the end of 2018), representing a market value of EUR 1'747 million.
- Pursuant to **GBL's** share buyback program, as announced on 31 October 2018, 0.6 million shares have been bought during Q1 2019. The economic interest of Pargesa in GBL stands at 51.0% following these purchases at

¹ The prepayment of the forward sales of Total shares will not impact GBL's net financial position until their maturity in January 2020.

31 March 2019 against 50.8% at 31 December 2018. Between 1 April and 22 April 2019, 0.4 million supplementary shares have been purchased. This share buyback program is executed up to 44% to date.

- GBL through Piolin Bidco, S.A.U. ("Piolin") announced, on 26 April 2019, its intention to launch a voluntary public takeover bid paid in cash for the shares of **Parques Reunidos** (the "Bid"). Piolin is indirectly held at 23.96% by Miles Capital, a subsidiary indirectly wholly owned by GBL, the remainder of the capital being indirectly held by EQT AB and Corporación Financiera Alba ("Alba") at 50.01% and 26.03% respectively. The Bid still has to be approved by the Spanish Market Authority, the CNMV (*Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores*). A cash consideration of EUR 14.00 per share is offered, representing a 31.6%² premium over the volume weighted average price observed over the last 6 months before the launch. The Bid is subject to the following conditions: (i) the acceptance by Parques Reunidos' shareholders, other than GBL and Alba, owning at least 30.79% of the capital and (ii) merger control authorizations. GBL and Alba irrevocably undertook to contribute their Parques Reunidos shares to Piolin if the Bid is successful.
- At the level of **Sienna Capital**:

In December 2017, Ergon Capital Partners launched a new fund, Ergon Capital Partners IV, which successfully closed at the end of March 2019, with total commitments of EUR 580 million, beyond the fundraising objective of EUR 500 million. In 2017, Sienna Capital committed EUR 200 million in this new fund.

At 31 March 2019, GBL's commitments with respect to Sienna Capital amounted to EUR 504 million (EUR 528 million at 31 December 2018).

3. Consolidated financial results at 31 March 2019 (unaudited)

The board of Pargesa Holding SA met today and reviewed the unaudited consolidated financial results for the three-month period ended 31 March 2019.

3.1. Presentation of results in accordance with IFRS

The simplified income statement in accordance with IFRS is as follows:

| CHF million | Q1 2019 | Q1 2018 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Operating income | 1'458.6 | 1'428.9 |
| Operating expenses | (1'383.4) | (1'314.1) |
| Other income and expenses | 8.8 | - |
| Operating profit (loss) | 84.0 | 114.8 |
| Dividends and interest from long-term investments | 100.1 | 95.8 |
| Other financial income and expenses | 43.3 | (44.4) |
| Taxes | (37.6) | (40.2) |
| Income from associates and joint ventures | 11.2 | 14.2 |
| Net profit from continuing operations | 201.0 | 140.2 |
| Net profit from discontinued operations | - | 21.0 |
| Consolidated net profit (before non-controlling interests) | 201.0 | 161.2 |
| Attributable to non-controlling interests | (110.0) | (100.6) |
| Attributable to Pargesa shareholders (Group share) | 91.0 | 60.6 |
| <i>Basic earnings per share attributable to Pargesa shareholders (CHF)</i> | <i>1.07</i> | <i>0.72</i> |
| <i>Average number of shares (thousands)</i> | <i>84'699</i> | <i>84'665</i> |
| <i>Average EUR/CHF exchange rate</i> | <i>1.132</i> | <i>1.165</i> |

The **operating profit (loss)** amounts to a CHF 84.0 million compared to CHF 114.8 million in Q1 2018. This change reflects the decrease of Imerys' operating profit (loss).

² 29.2% compared to the closing price of 25 April 2019 observed before its launch and 33.4% and 34.9% compared to the average prices observed over the periods of 1 and 3 months before its launch.

The **dividends and interest from long-term investments** item of CHF 100.1 million in Q1 2019 against CHF 95.8 million in Q1 2018 comprises mainly the net dividend recorded on SGS of CHF 98.7 million (non-consolidated investment). The variation is primarily due to the increase in the dividend per share paid by SGS to GBL. The contribution of the other dividends will intervene starting from the second quarter.

The increase in **other financial income and expenses** of CHF +43.3 million in Q1 2019 compared with CHF -44.4 million in Q1 2018 reflects in particular the positive impact of GBL's trading activity in 2019, the decrease in interest expenses and the variation fair value of private equity and other non-consolidated funds.

The **net profit from discontinued operations** represents the contribution from Imerys' Roofing division, which was sold in October 2018.

The presentation of the economic result that follows makes it possible to assess differently the formation of the Group results.

3.2. Economic presentation of Pargesa's financial results

The economic result at 31 March 2019 can be analysed as follows:

| CHF million | | Q1 2019 | Q1 2018 |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Contribution from the portfolio to operating income | | | |
| - Consolidated shareholdings (full consolidation or equity accounting): | | | |
| Imerys | share of operating income | 23.6 | 31.2 |
| Parques Reunidos | share of operating income | – * | – * |
| | | 23.6 | 31.2 |
| - Non-consolidated shareholdings: | | | |
| SGS | net dividend | 50.4 | 49.6 |
| LafargeHolcim | net dividend | - | - |
| Pernod Ricard | net dividend | - | - |
| Total | net dividend | - | - |
| adidas | net dividend | - | - |
| Umicore | net dividend | - | - |
| GEA | net dividend | - | - |
| Ontex | net dividend | - | - |
| Other | net dividend | 0.6 | – |
| | | 51.0 | 49.6 |
| - Contribution from private equity and other funds | | 11.0 | (3.9) |
| Contribution from the portfolio to operating income | | 85.6 | 76.9 |
| <i>per share (CHF)</i> | | <i>1.01</i> | <i>0.91</i> |
| Contribution from holding companies to operating income | | | |
| Net financial income and expenses | | 16.6 | (6.5) |
| General expenses and taxes | | (8.7) | (8.6) |
| | | 7.9 | (15.1) |
| Economic operating income | | 93.5 | 61.8 |
| <i>per share (CHF)</i> | | <i>1.10</i> | <i>0.73</i> |
| Non-operating income (loss) from consolidated shareholdings | | (2.5) | (1.2) |
| Net income | | 91.0 | 60.6 |
| <i>per share (CHF)</i> | | <i>1.07</i> | <i>0.72</i> |
| <i>Average number of shares (thousands)</i> | | <i>84'699</i> | <i>84'665</i> |
| <i>Average EUR/CHF exchange rate</i> | | <i>1.132</i> | <i>1.165</i> |

* Information not available at the time of publication of the results.

Most income comes from GBL, whose results are denominated in euros. In Q1 2019, the average EUR/CHF exchange rate is 1.132, compared with 1.165 in Q1 2018, meaning a decrease of -2.8%. Furthermore, following the

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acquisition of treasury shares by GBL in late 2018 and in 2019 (please refer to Point 2. *2019 Highlights* of this press release) and the conversion in 2018 of convertible bonds issued by GBL, Pargesa's share of GBL's earning (excluding the portion attributable to non-controlling shareholders) stands at 51.0% at 31 March 2019, compared to 50.8% at 31 December 2018 and 51.8% at 31 March 2018.

Economic operating income:

Contribution from the portfolio to operating income

Consolidated shareholdings (full consolidation or equity accounting):

Imerys' (fully consolidated) **net income from current operations** (group share) decreases by 2.6% to EUR 75 million in Q1 2019 compared to EUR 77 million in Q1 2018. Including in Q1 2018 the contribution from its Roofing division classified as discontinued operations in the IFRS presentation (EUR 18 million), Imerys' net operating income as defined by Pargesa amounted to EUR 95 million. Including the effect of the decline of the average EUR/CHF exchange rate, Pargesa's share of Imerys' net income from current operations, in Swiss francs, was CHF 23.6 million in Q1 2019, compared with CHF 31.2 million in Q1 2018. After taking into account "Other operating income and expenses" of EUR -8 million net of taxes³, Imerys' **net income** (group share) was EUR 67 million in Q1 2019. In Q1 2018, Imerys' net income (group share) amounted to EUR 92 million after taking into account "Other operating income and expenses" of EUR -3 million net of taxes.

The contribution of **Parques Reunidos** ("Parques"), which is accounted for under the equity method, has not been included in the first quarter of 2019, as the company publishes its earnings for the period only after those of the Group. As a result, Parques' 1st quarter 2019 contribution will be included in the Group's 2019 first-half result.

Non-consolidated shareholdings:

The contributions from **SGS, LafargeHolcim, Pernod Ricard, Total, adidas, Umicore, GEA, Ontex**, represent Pargesa's share of net dividends recorded by GBL. Usually, the only contribution to operating income recorded in the 1st quarter of the financial year comes from SGS, as dividends from other shareholdings are recorded from the 2nd quarter on.

The contribution from **SGS** came in at CHF 50.4 million in Q1 2019, compared with CHF 49.6 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The change of the contribution year-over-year results from the increase in the dividend per share paid by SGS to GBL (CHF 78 compared with CHF 75 in 2018, up 4.0%) reduced by the currency effects.

Contribution from private equity and other funds:

The **contribution from private equity and other investment funds activities** comes primarily from the funds held by GBL through its subsidiary Sienna Capital, and also includes general expenses and management fees. In Q1 2019, the net contribution from these activities came in at CHF 11.0 million compared to CHF -3.9 million in Q1 2018 and includes changes in fair value during the period of the funds that are not fully consolidated for CHF +14.2 million (CHF -2.6 million in Q1 2018).

Contribution from holding companies to operating income

Net financial income and expenses, which include interest income and expenses, as well as other financial income and expenses, amounted to CHF +16.6 million in Q1 2019 compared with CHF -6.5 million in Q1 2018. Interest income and expenses recorded by Pargesa as well as its share in those recorded by GBL represented CHF -1.7 million in Q1 2019, compared with CHF -3.8 million in Q1 2018. Other financial income and expenses include in particular Pargesa's share of the realized and unrealized results recorded by GBL from trading activities (including dividends) and from derivatives used in managing its portfolio. Pargesa's share of results from these activities was CHF +9.1 million in Q1 2019, compared with CHF +1.3 million in Q1 2018.

³ Pargesa's share of "Other operating income and expenses" recorded by Imerys appears under "Non-operating income (loss) from consolidated shareholdings".

The **general expenses and taxes** line item represents Pargesa's own general expenses and taxes as well as its share of those of GBL.

Non-operating income:

Non-operating income from consolidated shareholdings of CHF -2.5 million (CHF -1.2 million in Q1 2018) includes Pargesa's share of Imerys' "Other operating income and expenses", which, as indicated above, amounts to EUR -8 million in Q1 2019 against EUR -3 million in Q1 2018.

It should be noted that, pursuant to IFRS 9, the gain resulting from the sale by GBL of 0.3% of adidas' capital during Q1 amounting to CHF 49 million (Pargesa's share) has not been recorded in the income statement, but directly in shareholders' equity.

4. Net asset value

The table hereafter offers a detailed view of Pargesa's net asset value (on a flow-through basis) at 31 March 2019. The net asset value is calculated by taking, on one hand, the assets and liabilities of Pargesa (excluding Pargesa's participation in GBL) and, on the other hand, Pargesa's share in the value of the portfolio, the net cash or net debt position and the other assets and liabilities of GBL. The net asset value is calculated based on current market values and exchange rates for the listed shareholdings, and on the fair value and current exchange rates for private equity and other investment funds (Sienna Capital).

Pargesa's net asset value per share was CHF 120.2 at 31 March 2019, an increase of +13.4% compared with the level at the end of 2018 (CHF 105.9). It was CHF 127.1 per share on 3 May 2019 (+20.0% since end of 2018).

Pargesa's share price stood at CHF 78.0 on 31 March 2019, compared with CHF 70.9 at the end of 2018, an increase of +10.1%. As at 3 May 2019, the share price closed at CHF 81.6 (+15.2% since end of 2018).

Pargesa's net asset value at 31 March 2019 is broken down as follows:

| CHF million | 31 March 2019 | | | 31 December 2018 | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| | % of capital ^{a.} | Flow-through % of interest ^{a.} | Share price and currency | Flow-through value | Weighting as a % of total | Flow-through value |
| Listed companies: | | | | | | |
| adidas | 7.5% | 3.8% | EUR 216.6 | 1'820 | 18% | 1'613 |
| Pernod Ricard | 7.5% | 3.8% | EUR 160.0 | 1'779 | 17% | 1'606 |
| SGS | 16.6% | 8.3% | CHF 2'478 | 1'570 | 16% | 1'400 |
| LafargeHolcim | 9.4% | 4.7% | EUR 44.0 | 1'409 | 14% | 1'156 |
| Imerys | 53.9% | 27.0% | EUR 44.4 | 1'065 | 10% | 1'014 |
| Umicore | 17.9% | 9.0% | EUR 39.6 | 977 | 10% | 856 |
| Total b. | 0.6% | 0.3% | EUR 49.5 | 449 | 4% | 422 |
| GEA | 8.5% | 4.3% | EUR 23.4 | 201 | 2% | 195 |
| Ontex | 20.0% | 10.0% | EUR 20.1 | 184 | 2% | 166 |
| Parques Reunidos | 21.2% | 10.6% | EUR 10.8 | 104 | 1% | 104 |
| Other | | | | 102 | 1% | 96 |
| Other investments: | | | | | | |
| Sienna Capital | | | | 772 | 8% | 774 |
| Other Pargesa | | | | 24 | 0% | 24 |
| Total portfolio | | | | 10'456 | 103% | 9'426 |
| GBL treasury shares | | | | 151 | 1% | 113 |
| Net cash (debt) c. | | | | (428) | (4%) | (566) |
| Net asset value | | | | 10'179 | 100% | 8'973 |
| Net asset value per share | | | | 120.2 | | 105.9 |
| Share price Pargesa | | | | 78.0 | | 70.9 |
| EUR/CHF exchange rate | | | | 1.118 | | 1.127 |

a. The percentage of capital represents the percentage of capital held by GBL in the shareholdings; the flow-through percentage of interest represents Pargesa's share (50%) of the % of capital held by GBL.

b. The ownership percentage as well as the market value of the investment do not take into account yet the forward sales of Total shares will mature in January 2020. The fair value of these contracts is included in the item Net cash (debt).

c. This item includes also Pargesa's share in the market value of GBL's trading portfolio.

The net asset value is published on a weekly basis on Pargesa's website.

5. Annual General Meeting held on 8 May 2019

All the items on the agenda were approved:

- Approval of the 2018 annual report, consolidated accounts and parent company accounts;
- Approval of the appropriation of profit: dividend of CHF 2.56 per bearer share, up 2.4% from the previous year (CHF 2.50), and CHF 0.256 per registered share (also up 2.4%), representing an aggregate distribution of CHF 216.8 million to be paid on 17 May 2019;
- Discharge of the members of the Board of Directors and Management;
- Election of the members of the Board of Directors;
- Election of the Chairman of the Board;
- Election of the members of the Compensation Committee;
- Election of the Independent Proxy;
- Election of the Auditor;
- Compensation of the Board of Directors and Management.

6. Miscellaneous

The presentation at today's Annual General Meeting is available on Pargesa's website under "Presentations".