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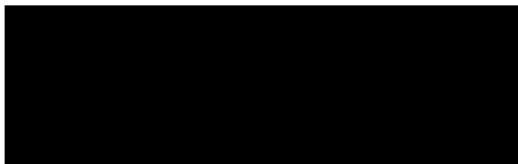
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Dear Sirs and Mesdames,

We refer to the press announcement to be issued on or around 25 August 2021 in connection with the proposed recommended cash offer for Sanne Group plc by Apex Acquisition Company Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Apex Group Ltd, (the "**Rule 2.7 Announcement**"). In accordance with Rule 23.2 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, we hereby consent to the issue of the Rule 2.7 Announcement with the inclusion of the references to our name in the form and context in which they appear.

Yours faithfully,



for and on behalf of  
Merrill Lynch International