

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS
OF ENGLAND AND WALES
COMPANIES COURT (ChD)

MR JUSTICE SNOWDEN
MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2020



CR-2020-002811

IN THE MATTER OF UNILEVER PLC

- and -

IN THE MATTER OF UNILEVER N.V.

- and -

IN THE MATTER OF
THE COMPANIES (CROSS-BORDER MERGERS) REGULATIONS 2007

UPON THE APPLICATION by Part 8 Claim Form (the “**Claim Form**”) dated 27 October 2020 of Unilever PLC whose registered office is at Port Sunlight, Wirral, Merseyside, CH62 4ZD (“**PLC**”) and Unilever N.V. whose registered office is at Weena 455, 3013 AL Rotterdam, the Netherlands (“**NV**”)

AND UPON HEARING Martin Moore QC and Ben Shaw for PLC and NV, via Microsoft Teams

AND UPON READING the Claim Form and the evidence

AND UPON PLC AND NV EACH UNDERTAKING by Counsel to make a regulatory announcement in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands respectively in the event that the undermentioned determination is made

THIS COURT HEREBY APPROVES the final completion of the cross-border merger of PLC and NV (the “**Cross-Border Merger**”) for the purposes of Article 128 of Directive (EU) 2017/1132 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 relating to certain aspects of company law (codification) (*Scrutiny of the legality of the cross-border merger*)

AND IT IS ORDERED THAT the consequences of the Cross-Border Merger shall take effect at 00.01 (London time) on 29 November 2020, subject to the directors of PLC and NV not having determined prior to that time and date that the Cross-Border Merger is no longer in the best interests of PLC, NV and their shareholders and other stakeholders as a whole due to actual or potential changes in tax legislation in the Netherlands

PLC and NV shall have permission to apply in relation to this Order

Service of this Order

This Court has provided a sealed copy of this Order to the serving party:

Linklaters LLP, One Silk Street, London EC2Y 8HQ, Solicitors for the Claimants