

Case Opening Statement

The Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority (the **Competition Authority**) has decided pursuant to section 22(1) of The Competition (Guernsey) Ordinance, 2012 (the **2012 Ordinance**) that there are reasonable grounds to suspect that certain undertakings active in the provision of medical services in Guernsey have contravened sections 1(1) and/or 5(1) of the 2012 Ordinance:

- 1. Section 1(1) by abusing a dominant position in the relevant market in Guernsey for medical services; and/or
- 2. Section 5(1) by entering into an agreement or agreements which have the object or effect of preventing competition within a relevant market in Guernsey through restricting or attempting to restrict the ability of other undertakings to offer medical services in Guernsey.

It has therefore decided to conduct an investigation into the suspected contravention. The investigation procedure that the Competition Authority follows when conducting cases is set out in its Investigation Procedures Guideline, which is available at:

https://www.cicra.gg/legal-frameworks/guidelines/investigation-procedures/

This notice replaces the Case Opening Statement made on 19 March 2019.

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