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#### PRESS RELEASE OF PROVIMI SA AND KOROFRANCE SAS

# Acquisition of a majority block of shares in Provimi SA and

## filing of a simplified public offer

Paris, 18 April 2007, Nutrilux S.à.r.l., an indirect subsidiary of the investment funds managed or advised by Permira Advisers LLP, announced on 30 January 2007 that it had entered into an agreement relating for the acquisition (directly or indirectly) from Provimlux Investments SA, a company under the joint control of the investment funds managed or advised by PAI Partners and CVC Capital Partners, of its 74.05% shareholding in Provimi SA (*Provimi*).

Following the granting of all clearances by the relevant anti-trust authorities, the sale of the Provimi shares was completed on 12 April 2007 to the benefit of KoroFrance SAS, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nutrilux S.à.r.l. which substituted the latter under the terms of the sale and purchase agreement, for a cash amount of EUR 30 per share without taking into account vendor's costs, therefore an effective price of EUR 30.22 per share.

In accordance with applicable regulations, a simplified public offer will be filed today by KoroFrance SAS with the AMF for all the Provimi shares not held by the offeror, at a price of EUR 34 per share. KoroFrance SAS also envisages launching a squeeze-out procedure at the same price of EUR 34 per share in the event that it shall hold more than 95% of the share capital and the voting rights of Provimi following the simplified public offer.

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