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FIH Group plc

(“FIH”, “the Company” or “the Group”)

Update re Dolphin Fund Limited

The Independent Directors of FIH (being John Foster and Jeremy Brade, who are independent to the bid from Staunton Holdings Limited) (the “**Independent Directors**”) yesterday sought clarification from Arden Partners plc, the financial adviser to Dolphin Fund Limited (“**Dolphin**”), regarding the beneficial ownership, control and management of Dolphin as well as its intentions for the businesses within FIH, prior to making any formal response to its letter of 14 March.2017. No such clarifications have been forthcoming and so no formal response to the letter of 14 March 2017 has yet been made.

This announcement is made without the agreement or approval of Dolphin.

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