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INFORMATION ON THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION'S DECISIONS

Lisbon, 16 July 2021

Under the terms and for the purposes of Article 17(1) of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the

European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014, and of Article 248-A(1) of the

Portuguese Securities Code ("Código dos Valores Mobiliários"), Transportes Aéreos

Portugueses, S.A. ("TAP") informs the market and the public in general that:

According to a press release issued on the date hereof by the European Commission

("European Commission's Press Release"), today this authority adopted the following two

separate decisions:

(i) Re-approval of the €1.2 billion rescue aid

The European Commission has decided to re-approve the €1.2 billion rescue loan to TAP -

Transportes Aéreos Portugueses, SGPS, S.A. ("TAP SGPS"), that it had previously approved by

a decision dated 10 June 2020, by further specifying the reasons for approving the aid (in

connection with the situation of the TAP Group and its shareholders in June 2020), as required

pursuant to the judgment of the General Court of the European Union of 19 May 2021 (case

T-465/20), which annulled the initial rescue aid decision, while suspending the effects of the

annulment pending the adoption of a new decision by the European Commission.

Therefore, this new decision of the European Commission confirms the previous decision

adopted by this authority on 10 June 2020, which found that the said €1.2 billion rescue aid

was compatible with the internal market, pursuant to Article 107(3)(c) of the Treaty on the

Functioning of the European Union and in accordance with the requirements of the European

Commission's Guidelines on State aid for rescuing and restructuring non-financial

undertakings in difficulty ("R&R Guidelines").

(ii) TAP Group's Restructuring Plan

Transportes Aéreos Portugueses, S.A.

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According to the European Commission's Press Release, on 10 June 2021, Portugal notified to

this authority a €3.2 billion restructuring aid, with the aim of financing a restructuring plan of

TAP SGPS, which sets out a package of measures for streamlining TAP's operations and

reducing costs (in accordance with which, for instance, it is foreseen that TAP will reduce its

fleet, streamline its network, and adjust to reduced demand before 2023).

Following this notification of the Portuguese Republic, the European Commission has decided

to open an in-depth investigation to further assess the compliance of the proposed

restructuring plan and of the related aid with the conditions of the R&R Guidelines.

The opening of an investigation, which is a regular process established in the applicable

European rules, will give Portugal and interested third parties the opportunity to submit

comments and it does not prejudge the outcome of the investigation. Moreover, it does not

affect the €1.2 billion rescue aid that was granted to the TAP Group, which approval has been

confirmed today by the European Commission, as further detailed in paragraph (i) above.

This information is also available in TAP's website at https://www.flytap.com.

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