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**Prior notification of a transaction under the
Telecommunications Mergers and Acquisitions Regulation**

**TRA case reference no. 1/06 – Khayami Plastic Factory W.L.L. / Mobile Information
Services W.L.L.**

1. On 3 January 2006, the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (the “TRA”) received a notification of a proposed transaction pursuant to Article 2 of the Telecommunications Mergers and Acquisitions Regulation¹ (the “Regulation”). Under the proposed transaction Mobile Information Services W.L.L., presently a branch company of Khayami Plastic Factory W.L.L., is to be converted to an independent W.L.L. Company.
2. The parties to the transaction are involved in the following activities:
 - Khayami Plastic Factory W.L.L.: *manufacture of plastic pipes, joints for electric plastic pipes, computer programming & data processing and commission agencies*
 - Mobile Information Services W.L.L.: *telecommunications/ SMS-based services*
3. The parties to the transaction hold the following telecommunications licenses:
 - Khayami Plastic Factory W.L.L.: *None*
 - Mobile Information Services W.L.L.: *VAS*
4. On preliminary examination, the TRA finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.
5. The TRA invites interested third parties to submit their comments on the proposed transaction to the TRA, along with any supporting evidence.

Comments should reach the TRA no later than 14 calendar days from the date of this announcement. Comments may be sent to the TRA under reference no. 3 – Khayami Plastic Factory W.L.L. / Mobile Information Services W.L.L., to the following address:

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¹ Regulation 3 of 2004, issued by the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority under sections 3(c)(1) and 65 of the Telecommunications Law.