

Completed acquisition by PayPal Holdings, Inc. of iZettle AB

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. In exercise of its duty under section 22(1) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the **Act**) the Competition and Markets Authority (**CMA**) believes that it is or may be the case that:
 - (a) a relevant merger situation has been created, in that:
 - (i) enterprises carried on by PayPal Holdings, Inc. have ceased to be distinct from enterprises carried on by iZettle AB; and
 - (ii) the condition specified in section 23(2)(b) of the Act is satisfied; and
 - (b) the creation of that situation has resulted, or may be expected to result, in a substantial lessening of competition within a market or markets in the United Kingdom (**UK**) for goods or services, including in:
 - (i) the supply of offline payment services via mobile point of sale devices in the UK; and
 - (ii) the supply of omni-channel payment services to small, micro and nano customers in the UK.
2. Therefore, in exercise of its duty under section 22(1) of the Act, the CMA hereby makes a reference to its chair for the constitution of a group under Schedule 4 to the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013 in order that the group may investigate and report, within a period ending on 21 May 2019 on the following questions in accordance with section 35(1) of the Act:
 - (a) whether a relevant merger situation has been created; and
 - (b) if so, whether the creation of that situation has resulted, or may be expected to result, in a substantial lessening of competition within any market or markets in the UK for goods or services.

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