

8 February 2019

**COMPLETED ACQUISITIONS BY HEADLAM GROUP PLC
OF GARROD BROS (LONDON) LTD'S BUSINESS OF
DISTRIBUTION OF FLOORCOVERING MATERIAL**

**Notice under paragraph (b) of the definition of 'initial
period' in section 34ZA(3) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the
Act) published pursuant to section 107(1)(ab) of the Act**

The Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) hereby gives notice pursuant to paragraph (b) of the definition of 'initial period' in section 34ZA(3) of the Act that it has sufficient information in relation to the acquisition by Headlam Group Plc of Garrod Bros (London) Ltd's business of distribution of floorcovering material, (the Merger) to enable it to begin an investigation for the purposes of deciding whether to make a reference for a Phase 2 investigation.

The initial period defined in section 34ZA(3) of the Act in relation to the Merger will therefore commence on the first working day after the date of this notice, ie on 11 February 2019. The end of the initial period and the deadline for the CMA to announce its decision whether to refer the Merger for a Phase 2 investigation is therefore 5 April 2019.