

Anticipated Acquisition by Rheinmetall Defence UK Ltd of BAE Systems Global Combat Systems Ltd

Notice under section 96(2A) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act) published pursuant to section 107(1)(i) of the Act

The Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) hereby gives notice pursuant to section 96(2A) of the Act that the merger notice provided by Rheinmetall Defence UK Ltd and BAE Systems Global Combat Systems in relation to the purchase of 55% of the entire issued share capital of BAE Systems Global Combat Systems by Rheinmetall Defense UK Ltd (the **Merger**) meets the requirements of section 96(2) of the Act.

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 15 April 2019. The deadline for the CMA to announce its decision whether to refer the Merger for a Phase 2 investigation is therefore 13 June 2019.