

## Completed acquisition by NEC Software Solutions UK Limited of SSS Public Safety Limited and Secure Solutions USA LLC

## 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:
    - enterprises carried on by NEC Software Solutions UK Limited have ceased to be distinct from enterprises carried on by SSS Public Safety Limited<sup>1</sup> and Secure Solutions USA LLC<sup>2</sup>; 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 for goods or services, including:
    - the supply of Integrated Communication and Control Services software to emergency services and transport customers in the UK;
    - (ii) the supply of Duties Management Systems software to police customers in the UK; and
    - (iii) the supply of Records Management Software to police 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Formerly Capita (SSS) Limited.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Formerly Capita Software (US) LLC.

the group may investigate and report, within a period ending on 26 October 2022, 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 United Kingdom for goods or services.

David Stewart
Executive Director, Markets and Mergers
Competition and Markets Authority
12 May 2022