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ÅF AB (publ) extends the offer period of its tender offer for all shares in Pöyry PLC until February 15, 2019

ÅF AB (publ) ("ÅF") commenced a voluntary recommended public cash tender offer to purchase all issued and outstanding shares in Pöyry PLC ("Pöyry") (the "Tender Offer") on December 20, 2018. The offer period of the Tender Offer was initially scheduled to expire on January 31, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. (Finnish time).

The completion of the Tender Offer is subject to certain conditions to be fulfilled or waived by ÅF on or by the date of ÅF's announcement of the final result of the Tender Offer, including, among others, all necessary regulatory approvals having been received by ÅF. ÅF has already received clearance for the completion of the Tender Offer from the Austrian Federal Competition Authority, the Norwegian Competition Authority and the Swedish Competition Authority but the statutory waiting period for clearance from the Federal Antimonopoly Service of the Russian Federation has not yet expired and this clearance is therefore still pending.

As all the conditions to the completion of the Tender Offer have not yet been fulfilled or waived by ÅF, ÅF has today, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer, decided to extend the offer period to expire on February 15, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. (Finnish time). As a result, ÅF will announce the preliminary result of the Tender Offer on or about February 18, 2019 and the final result of the Tender Offer on or about February 20, 2019.

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This information is information that ÅF is obliged to make public pursuant to the Finnish Securities Market Act. The information was submitted for publication, through the agency of the contact person set out above at 2:30 p.m. CET on January 31, 2019.

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The Tender Offer is made for the issued and outstanding shares in Pöyry, a Finnish company. Information distributed in connection with the Tender Offer is subject to disclosure requirements of Finland, which are different from those of the United States. The financial statements and financial information included in this stock exchange release or in the tender offer document have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards in Finland, which may not be comparable to the financial statements or financial information of U.S. companies.

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