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The AGF Group was informed that a project for a tender offer on all Credit Lyonnais's outstanding capital has been filed with the Conseil des Marchés Financiers by Credit Agricole S.A. and SACAM Développement. The AGF Group holds 10.09% of Credit Lyonnais's share capital.

The AGF Group will fully support the offer. The AGF Group welcomes this friendly transaction and believes that the joint entrepreneurial project developed by Credit Agricole's and Credit Lyonnais's teams is a perfect fit for the stability and development policy favoured since the privatisation of Credit Lyonnais with the groupe d'actionnaires partenaires ("GAP"). The AGF Group will tender its shares to the cash and share offer proposed by Credit Agricole S.A. and SACAM Développement.

This transaction underlines AGF's partnerships with Credit Lyonnais and opens up new possibilities for future co-operations.

Jean-Philippe Thierry, Chairman and CEO of the Group, stated:

"The AGF Group welcomes the opportunity to value its investment in Credit Lyonnais and reinforce its long-standing partnerships. We look forward, with confidence, to the new prospects of co-operation this will open up with the new group Credit Agricole - Credit Lyonnais. We remain committed to the growth of the new entity, as long-lasting partner and shareholder."

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