

News Release

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Publication regarding changes in voting rights according to Art. 21 SESTA

Basel, 05.09.2008 - Lonza Group Ltd, Muenchensteinerstrasse 38, 4002 Basel, announces that on 3 September 2008 it has been informed by Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., 4 World Financial Center, New York, NY 10080, USA (as parent company of BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited, 33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS, UK; Merrill Lynch Capital Markets AG, Stockerhof, Stockerstrasse 23, P.O. Box 773, 8039 Zürich, CH; Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, 4 World Financial Center, 250 Vesey Street, New York, NY 10080, USA and Merrill Lynch International, 2 King Edward Street, London EC1A 1HQ, UK), that its holding in Lonza Group Ltd as of 28 August 2008 amounts to 3,031% in total, namely: 576,193 registered shares with a nominal value of CHF 1.- (1,142%); 411 (0.081%) Flex Option (Call Right) Issuer: OTC, Maturity: 19.09.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 150, Exercise Style: European; 1,000 (0.198%) Long Call, Issuer: EUREX, Maturity: 19.12.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 160, Exercise Style: American; 3,000 (0.595%) Long Call, Issuer: EUREX, Maturity: 19.12.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 150, Exercise Style: American; 5,000 (0.991%) Short Put, Issuer: EUREX, Maturity: 19.12.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 150, Exercise Style: American; 150,000 (0.010%) Warrant, LONVU, ISIN: CH0037068340; 200'000 (0.013%) Warrant, LONYN, ISIN: CH0037068332.

The voting rights from holding put options amount to 0,231%, namely 280 (0.056%) Long Put, Issuer: EUREX, Maturity: 19.09.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 150, Exercise Style: American; 2,433,902 (0.161%) Warrant, LONXY, ISIN: CH0028966148; 117,900 (0.008%) Warrant, LONOE, ISIN: CH0037068324; 110,000 (0.007%) Warrant, LONPR, ISIN: CH0037068308.

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Veröffentlichung betreffend Veränderungen bei den Stimmrechten gemäss Art. 21 BEHG

Basel, 05.09.08 – Die Lonza Group AG, Münchensteinerstrasse 38, 4002 Basel, zeigt hiermit an, dass ihr die Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., 4 World Financial Center, New York, NY 10080, USA (als Muttergesellschaft für: BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited, 33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS, UK; Merrill Lynch Capital Markets AG, Stockerhof, Stockerstrasse 23, P.O. Box 773, 8039 Zürich, CH; Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, 4 World Financial Center, 250 Vesey Street, New York, NY 10080, USA und Merrill Lynch International, 2 King Edward Street, London EC1A 1HQ, UK), mit Schreiben vom 3. September 2008 mitgeteilt hat, dass ihre Beteiligung an der Lonza Group AG per 28. August 2008 insgesamt 3,031% beträgt, nämlich: 576,193 Namenaktien à nominal CHF 1.- (1,142%); 411 (0.081%) Flex Option (Call Right) Issuer: OTC, Maturity: 19.09.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 150, Exercise Style: European; 1,000 (0.198%) Long Call, Issuer: EUREX, Maturity: 19.12.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 160, Exercise Style: American; 3,000 (0.595%) Long Call, Issuer: EUREX, Maturity: 19.12.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 150, Exercise Style: American; 5,000

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Die Stimmrechte aus Verkaufspositionen betragen insgesamt 0,231%, nämlich 280 (0.056%) Long Put, Issuer: EUREX, Maturity: 19.09.2008, Ratio: 1:100, Strike Price: 150, Exercise Style: American; 2,433,902 (0.161%) Warrant, LONXY, ISIN: CH0028966148; 117,900 (0.008%) Warrant, LONOE, ISIN: CH0037068324; 110,000 (0.007%) Warrant, LONPR, ISIN: CH0037068308.

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