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# LIBERTY GLOBAL ACQUIRES 93.23% OF TELENET GROUP HOLDING NV AND WILL REOPEN ITS OFFER ON 24 AUGUST 2023

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Liberty Global plc (**Liberty Global**) (NASDAQ: LBTYA, LBTYB and LBTYK) announces today the results of the initial acceptance period of the voluntary and conditional public takeover bid by its indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, Liberty Global Belgium Holding B.V. (the **Offeror**) for all the shares of Telenet Group Holding NV (**Telenet**) that the Offeror does not already own or that are not held by Telenet (the **Offer**).

During the initial acceptance period, which ended on 12 July 2023, 34,676,001 shares of Telenet were tendered. As a result, the Offeror will own a total of 101,018,038 shares of Telenet as from 26 July 2023 (the **Payment Date**). Taking into account the 3,500,526 treasury shares already held by Telenet, the Offeror will directly or indirectly own a total of 93.23% of the shares of Telenet as from the Payment Date.

Payment of the offer price for the tendered shares (EUR 21.00 per share after deduction of the EUR 1.00 gross dividend approved by Telenet's ordinary general meeting of 26 April 2023 and paid on 5 May 2023) will take place on the Payment Date, 26 July 2023.

The Offeror waives the condition of owning, together with Telenet, at least 95% of the outstanding shares in Telenet. Since the Offeror, together with Telenet, will own more than 90% of all Telenet shares following the transfer of such shares on the Payment Date, the Offer will be mandatorily reopened at 9:00am CET on Thursday 24 August 2023. This subsequent acceptance period will close on Wednesday 13 September 2023. Shareholders who have not yet accepted the Offer will thus be able to accept the Offer in this period.

After the initial acceptance period, the free float of the Telenet shares will be limited to 6.77%. The reopening gives investors who missed the initial acceptance period or those seeking additional liquidity the opportunity to still accept the Offer.



The results of the subsequent acceptance period will be announced on or around 20 September 2023. Payment of the offer price of the shares tendered during the subsequent acceptance period will be made on or around 27 September 2023.

If, following the Offer, the Offeror, together with Telenet, owns at least 95% of the shares of Telenet and has acquired, by acceptance of the Offer, at least 90% of the shares that are the subject of the Offer, the Offer will be followed by a simplified squeeze-out bid subject to the same financial conditions as the Offer.

The prospectus, approved in English and translated into Dutch and French, the response memorandum, approved in Dutch and translated into English and French, the independent expert report, available in English, and the acceptance forms, available in English, Dutch and French, are available on the following websites:

- https://shareholder-offer.be/en/, a microsite dedicated to the Offer which is also accessible via (www.telenetgroup.be) and LG plc (https://www.libertyglobal.com/investors/telenet/)
- www.bnpparibasfortis.be/epargneretplacer (in French and in English) and www.bnpparibasfortis.be/sparenenbeleggen (in Dutch and in English)
- U.S. shareholders may also call the following toll free number: +1 303-220-6600 (US) or email ir@libertyglobal.com to request a copy of the prospectus.

#### ABOUT LIBERTY GLOBAL

Liberty Global (NASDAQ: LBTYA, LBTYB and LBTYK) is a world leader in converged broadband, video and mobile communications services. We deliver next-generation products through advanced fiber and 5G networks, and currently provide over 86 million\* connections across Europe and the United Kingdom. Our businesses operate under some of the best-known consumer brands, including Virgin Media-O2 in the United Kingdom, VodafoneZiggo in The Netherlands, Telenet in Belgium, Sunrise in Switzerland, Virgin Media in Ireland and UPC in Slovakia. Through our substantial scale and commitment to innovation, we are building Tomorrow's Connections Today, investing in the infrastructure and platforms that empower our customers to make the most of the digital revolution, while deploying the advanced technologies that nations and economies need to thrive.

Liberty Global's consolidated businesses generate annual revenue of more than \$7 billion, while the VodafoneZiggo JV and the VMO2 JV generate combined annual revenue of more than \$17 billion.\*\*



Liberty Global Ventures, our global investment arm, has a portfolio of more than 75 companies and funds across content, technology and infrastructure, including strategic stakes in companies like Televisa Univision, Plume, Lionsgate and the Formula E racing series.

- \* Represents aggregate consolidated and 50% owned non-consolidated fixed and mobile subscribers. Includes wholesale mobile connections of the VMO2 JV and B2B fixed subscribers of the VodafoneZiggo JV.
- \*\* Revenue figures above are provided based on full year 2022 Liberty Global's consolidated results (excluding revenue from Poland) and the combined as reported full year 2022 results for the VodafoneZiggo JV and full year 2022 U.S. GAAP results for the VMO2 JV.

Telenet, the VMO2 JV, the VodafoneZiggo JV and Sunrise UPC deliver mobile services as mobile network operators. Virgin Media Ireland delivers mobile services as a mobile virtual network operator through third-party networks.

Liberty Global plc is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbols "LBTYA", "LBTYB" and "LBTYK".

Liberty Global Belgium Holding is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Liberty Global plc, and is a private limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands.

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The Offer will not be made, directly or indirectly, in any country or jurisdiction in which it would be considered unlawful or otherwise violate any applicable laws or regulations, or which would require Liberty Global or any of its subsidiaries to change or amend the terms or conditions of the Offer in any material way, to make an additional filing with any governmental, regulatory or other authority or take additional action in relation to the Offer. It is not intended to extend the Offer to any such country or jurisdiction. Any such documents relating to the Offer must neither be distributed in any such country or jurisdiction nor be sent into such country or jurisdiction and must not be used for the purpose of soliciting the purchase of securities of Telenet by any person or entity resident or incorporated in any such country or jurisdiction.

### NOTICE FOR US SHAREHOLDERS

The Offer is made in the U.S. in reliance on, and in compliance with, Section 14(e) of, and Regulation 14E under, the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the **U.S. Exchange Act**), and the "Tier II" exemption provided by Rule 14d-1(d) under the U.S. Exchange Act, and otherwise in accordance with the requirements of Belgian law. Accordingly, the Offer is subject to disclosure and other procedural requirements, including with respect to withdrawal rights, settlement procedures and timing of payments that are different from those applicable under U.S. procedures and laws. U.S. Shareholders should note that Telenet is not listed on a U.S. securities exchange, subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the U.S. Exchange Act or required to, and does not, file any reports with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the **SEC**) thereunder.

It may be difficult for U.S. Shareholders to enforce certain rights and claims arising in connection with the Offer under US federal securities laws since Telenet and Offeror are located outside the U.S. and most of its officers and directors may reside outside the U.S. It may not be possible to sue a non-U.S. company or its officers or directors in a non-U.S. court for violations of U.S. securities laws. It also may not be possible to compel a non-U.S. company or its affiliates to subject themselves to a U.S. court's judgment.

To the extent permissible under applicable laws and regulations (including Rule 14e-5 under the U.S. Exchange Act and any exemptive relief granted by the SEC therefrom), and in accordance with customary Belgian practice, Offeror, its nominees or brokers (acting as agents), or any of its or their affiliates, may make certain purchases of, or arrangements to purchase, shares outside the U.S. during the period in which the Offer remains open for acceptance, including sales and purchases of shares effected by any investment bank acting as market maker in the shares. These purchases, or other arrangements, may occur either in the open market at prevailing prices or



in private transactions at negotiated prices. In order to be excepted from the requirements of Rule 14e-5 under the U.S. Exchange Act by virtue of Rule 14e-5(b) thereunder, such purchases, or arrangements to purchase must comply with applicable Belgian law and regulation and the relevant provisions of the U.S. Exchange Act. Any information about such purchases will be disclosed as required in Belgium and the U.S.

Furthermore, this press release does not constitute or form part of an offer to sell, nor does it constitute a solicitation of an order to buy financial instruments in the United States or in any other jurisdiction.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. federal securities laws, including the safe harbour provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In this context, forward-looking statements often address expected future business and financial performance and financial condition, and often contain words such as "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "believe," "seek," "see," "will," "would," "may," "target," and similar expressions and variations or negatives of these words. These forwardlooking statements may include, among other things, statements relating to the outlook of Telenet and Liberty Global; operational expectations, including with respect to the development, launch and benefits of innovative and advanced products and services, including gigabit speeds, new technology and next generation platform rollouts or launches; future growth prospects and opportunities, results of operations, uses of cash, tax rates, and other measures that may impact the financial performance of the companies; anticipated benefits and synergies and estimated costs of the proposed transaction; the expected timing of completion of the proposed transaction; and other information and statements that are not historical facts. These forward-looking statements involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these statements. These risks and uncertainties include events that are outside of the control of the parties, such as: (i) Telenet, Liberty Global, and our respective operating companies' ability to meet challenges from competition and to achieve forecasted financial and operating targets; (ii) the effects of changes in laws or regulations; (iii) general economic, legislative, political and regulatory factors, and the impact of weather conditions, natural disasters, or any epidemic, pandemic or disease outbreak (including COVID-19); (iv) Telenet, Liberty Global, and our respective affiliates' ability to satisfy the conditions to the consummation of the proposed transaction; (v) the proposed transaction may not be completed on anticipated terms and timing or completed at all; (vi) the outcome of any potential litigation that may be instituted with respect to the proposed transaction; (vii) the potential impact of unforeseen liabilities, future capital expenditures, revenues, expenses, economic performance, indebtedness, financial condition on the future prospects and business of Telenet and Liberty Global's Belgium business after the consummation of the proposed transaction; (viii) any negative effects of the announcement, pendency or consummation of the proposed transaction; and (ix) management's response to



any of the aforementioned factors. For additional information on identifying factors that may cause actual results to vary materially from those stated in forward-looking statements, please see Liberty Global's filings with the SEC, including Liberty Global's most recently filed Form 10-K and Form 10-Q, as well as the regulated information filed by Telenet before the Belgium Financial Services and Markets Authority. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this release. Telenet, Offeror and Liberty Global expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to disseminate any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.