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## PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN AUSTRAL GROUP S.A.A. OF PERU AND BERTIN S.A OF BRAZIL.

Austral Group S.A.A. (Austral), a subsidiary of Austevoll Seafood ASA (AUSS) has commenced preliminary discussions with Bertin S.A. (Bertin) of Brazil in respect of a possible investment by Bertin in Conservera de las Americas S.A. (Conservera), a wholly owned subsidiary of Austral with a production facility in Paita in northern Peru.

Bertin is a large Brazilian conglomerate with several main business divisions, including Agriculture and Food. Bertin is also engaged in the production and sales of canned fish in the international market.

Bertin has expressed an interest in a possible investment into the processing of tuna and other related species in the northern part of Peru, through Conservera. Austral considers that the international expertise and reputation of Bertin in the food business makes Bertin a significant potential strategic partner capable of creating added value in the processing business for tuna and other species in Paita.

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