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**PRESS RELEASE**



**PRICING OF ADDITIONAL FLOATING RATE SENIOR SECURED NOTES DUE 2029 BY LION/POLARIS LUX 4 S.A.**

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Lion/Polaris Lux 4 S.A. announces today that it has priced its offering (the “Offering”) of €200 million aggregate principal amount of additional Floating Rate Senior Secured Notes due 2029 (the “Additional Notes”), resulting in gross proceeds, excluding accrued but unpaid interest, of €199.5 million. The Additional Notes will be issued under the indenture governing Lion/Polaris Lux 4 S.A.’s outstanding Floating Rate Senior Secured Notes due 2029 issued on July 3, 2024 (the “Existing Notes”), but the Additional Notes sold pursuant to Regulation S of the U.S. Securities Act (the “Regulation S Additional Notes”) will initially be issued bearing a temporary ISIN and a temporary common code that differ from the ISIN and common code under which the Existing Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S of the U.S. Securities Act (the “Regulation S Existing Notes”) were issued. On and from 40 days after the later of the issue date of the Additional Notes and the earliest date or dates permitted under U.S. federal securities laws, the Regulation S Additional Notes will be consolidated and fully fungible with the Regulation S Existing Notes. The gross proceeds from the sale of the Additional Notes will be used, together with equity and shareholder notes from the Zouari Family Office (via Imanes S.à r.l (“Imanes”)) and Intermediate Capital Group (“ICG”) (via the ICG Europe Fund VIII) and a vendor loan from Lion/Simba Holdco S.à r.l. (“Lion Capital”), to (i) rollover Imanes’ existing stake in Invest Group Zouari (“IGZ”), acquire ICG Europe Fund VII’s existing stake in IGZ and acquire Lion Capital’s and management’s entire stakes in Picard Bondco S.A. and its consolidated subsidiaries and (ii) pay all fees and expenses related to the transactions (including the Offering).

There can be no assurance that the Offering or other transactions will be completed.

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MiFID II. For these purposes, a retail investor in the United Kingdom means a person who is one (or more) of: (i) a retail client, as defined in point (8) of Article 2 of Regulation (EU) No 2017/565 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the EUWA; or (ii) a customer within the meaning of the provisions of the FSMA and any rules or regulations made under the FSMA to implement the Insurance Distribution Directive, where that customer would not qualify as a professional client, as defined in point (8) of Article 2(1) of UK MiFIR.

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