



# JOINT PRESS RELEASE

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# Final results of the Offer of Nolet for Lucas Bols: 75.8% of the Shares obtained

- 4.1% of the Shares have been tendered during the Post-Acceptance Period.
- Including the Shares already held by the Offeror, this represents a total of 75.8% of the Shares.
- Settlement of the Shares tendered during the Post-Acceptance Period will take place on 27 February 2024.

Schiedam, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 21 February 2024, Nolet and Lucas Bols are pleased to announce that 614,461 additional Shares, representing approximately 4.1% of the Outstanding Capital and an aggregate value of approximately EUR 11,060,298, have been tendered under the Offer during the Post-Acceptance Period that expired today at 17:40 CET. Together with the Shares already held by the Offeror on the date hereof, the Offeror will hold a total of 11,351,763 Shares, representing approximately 75.8% of the Outstanding Capital.

# Settlement

Settlement of the Shares tendered during the Post-Acceptance Period and payment of the Consideration for each Tendered Share will take place on 27 February 2024 (the "**Second Settlement Date**"). The Offeror cannot guarantee that Shareholders holding Shares through an Admitted Institution will actually receive payment on the Second Settlement Date from the Admitted Institution with whom they hold their Shares.

# Post Closing Measures

The Offeror has not met the applicable thresholds to implement a Post-Closing Restructuring Measure or initiate the Statutory Buy-Out Proceedings. Reference is made to Section 6.13.6 (*Other Post-Closing Measures*) of the Offer Memorandum. Further announcements will be made if and when appropriate.





#### Announcement

Any announcements contemplated by the Offer Memorandum will be made by press release. Any press release issued by the Offeror will be made on the website <u>www.noletdistillery.com</u>. Any press release issued by Lucas Bols will be made available on the website <u>www.lucasbols.com</u>.

# Offer Memorandum, Position Statement and further information

This announcement contains selected, condensed information regarding the Offer and does not replace the Offer Memorandum and/or the Position Statement. The information in this announcement is not complete and additional information is contained in the Offer Memorandum and/or the Position Statement.

Digital copies of the Offer Memorandum and Position Statement are available on the website of Lucas Bols (<u>www.lucasbols.com</u>) and a digital copy of the Offer Memorandum is available on the website of the Offeror (<u>www.noletdistillery.com</u>). Such websites do not constitute a part of, and are not incorporated by reference into, the Offer Memorandum. Copies of the Offer Memorandum and the Position Statement are also available free of charge at the offices of Lucas Bols and the Settlement Agent, at the addresses mentioned below.

# Lucas Bols

Paulus Potterstraat 14 1071 CZ Amsterdam The Netherlands

# The Settlement Agent

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. Corporate Broking and Issuer Services HQ7212 Gustav Mahlerlaan 10 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands

# Advisors

AXECO Corporate Finance B.V. is acting as financial advisor to Nolet. De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek N.V. and Coöperatie Forest Flint U.A. are acting as legal advisors to Nolet.

On behalf of Lucas Bols, ABN AMRO Bank N.V. is acting as financial advisor and Loyens & Loeff N.V. as legal advisor.

Confidant Partners is acting as communications advisor.

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#### About the Nolet Group

Since its establishment in 1691, Nolet Family Distillery has been continuously owned by the Nolet family. It is one of the oldest family businesses in the Netherlands, with a rich heritage. The Nolet family business has been making excellent spirits with traditional methods using state-of-the-art technology. His Majesty the King has granted the company the right to use the 'Royal' designation.

Current head of the Nolet family is Carel Nolet (1941), who expanded the family business in the early 1980s to create a modern distillery. In the tradition of his forefathers, Carel Nolet made the distillery a worldwide player in over 90 countries with his super premium brands. In 1977, he presented his smooth and pure KETEL 1 Jenever. In 1983 he introduced the now world-famous Ketel One Vodka in the United States, which is distributed and marketed through a 50-50 joint venture with Diageo since 2008. Today, it is the world's leading bartenders' favourite vodka. Of more recent date are NOLET'S Gin and Ketel One Botanical.

Carel Nolet shares his craftsmanship, his love of the profession and the family recipes with his sons Carel Jr. and Bob, who are the eleventh generation of Nolet. The twelfth generation is already on the way.

#### About The Lucas Bols Company

The Lucas Bols Company is a leading global cocktail and spirits player in the worldwide cocktail market and one of the oldest Dutch companies still active. Lucas Bols' mission is to create great cocktail experiences around the globe. The Lucas Bols Company is active in over 110 countries worldwide with a portfolio of three global cocktail brands and more than 20 international and regional liqueurs and spirits.

Bols, The World's First Cocktail Brand, includes the number-one liqueur range globally (not including the US). Lucas Bols is also the world's largest player in the genever segment, and our portfolio of cocktail brands includes Passoã, the number one passion fruit liqueur, and the ultra-premium Tequila Partida brand.

Through the House of Bols Cocktail & Genever Experience and the Bols Cocktail Academy, Lucas Bols showcases and inspires and educates bartenders and consumers a-like. With almost 450 years of experience in the art of distilling and blending spirits and cocktails combined with the creative spirit of Amsterdam, we truly are 'Masters of Taste'. Lucas Bols has been listed on Euronext Amsterdam (BOLS) since 4 February 2015.

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