

Meriden Group plc ("Meriden" or "the Company")

Holding in Company

Meriden plc was advised on 21 March 2007 that, following the disposal of 2,000,000 ordinary shares in the Company, Barclays PLC, through Barclays Stockbrokers Limited, now holds 27,438,117 ordinary shares in the Company (with an equal amount of voting rights) as at 12 March 2007, representing 7.95% of the issued share capital of Meriden.