

Press Release

Milan, 16 November 2018 - Today, 16.11.2018, "Il Sole 24 Ore S.p.A." received the notice of conclusion of the preliminary investigations issued by the Public Prosecutor's Office of Milan in the frame of proceedings no. 5783/17 General Criminal Records Registry, as a result of the administrative offences under articles 5, par. I, letter a), 6, 25 *ter*, par. I, letter b) of Legislative Decree no. 231/2001 and articles 5, par. I, letter a), 6, 25 *sexies* of Legislative Decree no. 231/2001. These offences are disputed in connection with the alleged offences of false corporate statements and market manipulation against former directors Benito Benedini, as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company, Donatella Treu, as Chief Executive Officer, and Roberto Napoletano, as Editor-in-Chief of the daily newspaper Il Sole 24 Ore and de facto director of the Company.

Within twenty days, the Company may view and take copies of the investigation documents pursuant to art. 415 bis of the Italian Criminal Code, in order to exercise its rights of defence.

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