



MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/18/085

Proposed acquisition by Uniphar plc of sole control of Pagni Pharmacies Limited and Pyramach Limited

16 November 2018

On 16 November 2018, the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission (“the Commission”) cleared the proposed acquisition whereby Uniphar plc would acquire sole control of Pagni Pharmacies Limited and Pyramach Limited and thus sole control of the business assets of twenty retail pharmacies, all trading under the *Bradley’s Pharmacy* brand. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 31 October 2018.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

Additional Information

Uniphar is active in the supply of human pharmaceuticals and other related products in the State. Uniphar also owns a number of community pharmacies in the State.

The Bradley’s Pharmacy Group currently operates 20 community pharmacies in the State.