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The shares held by funds managed by OFI Private Equity and Viveris Management, representing directly and indirectly 46.55% of AUTO ESCAPE's share capital and 52.92% of the voting rights of the Company, will be acquired by Montefiore Investment at a price of €2.80 per share. In addition, and pending the outcome of ongoing discussions, BC Développement (a company controlled by the President of Auto Escape, Bruno Couly) and the principal executives of the Company would reinvest some or all of their shares in the transaction.

The completion of the transaction will occur no later than 24 March 2009, and at such time the acquisition holding company (controlled by funds managed by Montefiore Investment) would hold a majority of the shares and voting rights in Auto Escape.

Bruno Couly, President of Auto Escape said: *"We are delighted with Montefiore Investment's becoming a significant shareholder of Auto Escape. The fund enjoys a strong experience in the tourism sector and can thus bring all its strategic expertise and knowledge to the Company"*.

Eric Bismuth, President of Montefiore Investment said: *"We are delighted with this transaction which confirms our position on the sector of "locally supplied services". We are impressed with the quality of Auto Escape's management which has the experience to meet the challenges of the current economic environment."*

In accordance with stock market regulation, the acquisition of this shareholding stake will cause the acquisition vehicle (controlled by funds managed by Montefiore investments) to file with the Autorité des Marchés Financiers a tender offer to acquire all the remaining outstanding shares of AUTO ESCAPE at a price of €2.80 per share.

The price of €2.80 per share represents a premium of 63.74% to the share price at the close of 30 January 2009, the last price before the signing of the option agreement and its announcement on 3 February 2009.

> ABOUT AUTO ESCAPE

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> ABOUT MONTEFIORE INVESTMENT

Montefiore Investment is an independent investment manager with approximately €200 M of assets under management, with a high level of industry specialization in the "Locally Supplied Services". Montefiore works alongside management and shareholders to help them expand their business, restructure capital or arrange a buyout. Montefiore invests in mid-market companies with a strong potential for profitable growth and applies its expertise to work closely with management and to serve as a catalyst for growth.

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ABOUT OFI PRIVATE EQUITY CAPITAL

OFI Private Equity Capital is an investment company quoted on NYSE Euronext (code: OPEC), which invests in both equity and mezzanine in secondary buy-outs of French companies with enterprise values of between €15 and €75 million that have been the subject of a previous LBO.

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