

COMMISSION BANCAIRE ET FINANCIERE

PRESS RELEASE

The Banking and Finance Commission warns the public against the activities of **Alpha Management** (13 Camille Richardson Street, St. Martin) and **Wedgewood Aquisitions** (Schottenfeldgasse 51, 1070 Vienna, Austria).

According to information available to the Commission, these companies may be proposing to Belgian residents to purchase from said residents, at a rather high price, and subject to prior payment of certain costs by the seller, securities previously acquired by the residents through **Trans-national Securities and Trust SA** (World Trade Center, Leutschenbachstrasse 95, 8050 Zurich, Switzerland) and **Price Richardson** (31st Floor, Citibank Tower, Citibank Plaza, 8741 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City 1200, Philippines).

The Banking and Finance Commission hereby informs the public that **none of these four companies** has been granted the authorization required to provide investment services relating to financial instruments in Belgium. The Banking and Finance Commission therefore categorically advises against accepting a proposal from any of these companies.

The Commission does not rule out the possibility that other companies are also approaching Belgian residents – without the required authorization – with a view to purchasing the above-mentioned securities subject to prior payment of certain costs by the seller. Again, the Banking and Finance Commission advises against accepting any proposal from such companies.

Additional information about the regularity of any transaction proposed can be found on the **Investors' Page** on the web site of the Commission (www.cbf.be), or through direct contact with the "Perimeter Supervision" team (telephone: 02/535.59.10; e-mail address: peri@cbf.be).