

# MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT M/25/009 – MEDIA CONCIERGE/NATIONAL WORLD

## Section 21 of the Competition Act 2002

**Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by Media Concierge (Holdings) Limited through its subsidiary Neo Media Publishing Limited of sole control of National World plc.**

**31 March 2025**

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has today cleared the proposed acquisition by Media Concierge (Holdings) Limited, through its subsidiary Neo Media Publishing Limited, of sole control of National World plc. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 24 February 2025.

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**

Media Concierge (Holdings) Limited is a holding company based in the United Kingdom. In the State, Media Concierge is the parent company of Iconic Newspapers Limited, a local digital and newspaper publisher through its subsidiary, Formpress Publishing Limited.

National World is a UK-based multimedia company based in Leeds, England. National World operates 120 newspapers and websites across the United Kingdom.