

**COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT**

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## Major Shareholder's Announcement

With reference to Section 29 of the Danish Securities Trading Act (*værdipapirhandelsloven*) Chr. Augustinus Fabrikker Aktieselskab today informed Scandinavian Tobacco Group A/S (the "Company") that Chr. Augustinus Fabrikker Aktieselskab on 9 November 2017, following purchase of shares, now control shares in total amounting to more than 25% of the share capital in the Company.

Chr. Augustinus Fabrikker Aktieselskab thus control 25,099,940 shares with a nominal value of DKK 1 (aggregate nominal value DKK 25,099,940) corresponding to 25.1% of the total share capital in the Company.

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**About Scandinavian Tobacco Group**

Scandinavian Tobacco Group A/S with its subsidiaries (the "**Group**") is a world leading producer of cigars and traditional pipe tobacco. The Group also produces fine-cut tobacco and sells tobacco-related accessories. The Group produces and sells 3 billion cigars and 5,000 tonnes of pipe and fine-cut tobacco annually. Scandinavian Tobacco Group believes it is the only company globally with a core strategic focus on production and distribution in all of these tobacco categories.

Scandinavian Tobacco Group holds market-leading positions in the machine-made cigar market in Europe, the handmade cigar market in the US, the online and catalogue retail sales of cigars in the US, the traditional pipe tobacco market globally and in selected fine-cut tobacco markets.

Scandinavian Tobacco Group has a diversified portfolio of more than 200 brands providing a complementary range of established global brands and local champions. In the cigar segment, the brand portfolio comprises Café Crème, La Paz, Macanudo, CAO, Partagas (US) and Cohiba (US). Pipe tobacco brands include Captain Black, Erinmore, Borkum Riff and W.Ø. Larsen, while leading fine-cut tobacco brands include Bugler, Break, Escort, Bali Shag and Tiedemanns.

As at 31 December 2016, the Group employed 7,600 people in the Dominican Republic, Honduras, Nicaragua, Indonesia, Europe, New Zealand, Australia, Canada and the US.

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