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Annual General Meeting in ASSA ABLOY AB (publ)

At today's Annual General Meeting of shareholders in ASSA ABLOY AB, the following members of the board were re-elected: Gustaf Douglas, Georg Ehrnrooth, Per-Olof Eriksson, Sven-Christer Nilsson, Melker Schörling and Carl-Henric Svanberg. Bo Dankis, Lotta Lundén and Patricia O'Driscoll were elected new members of the board. At the Statutory Meeting following the General Meeting, Georg Ehrnrooth was re-elected Chairman of the Board.

Dividend

The General Meeting established the dividend proposed by the Board of Directors and the Managing Director amounting to SEK 1.25 per share. Monday 31 March 2003 was established as record day and payment from VPC (the Securities Register Centre) is expected to start on Thursday 3 April 2003.

Amendment of the Articles of Association

The General Meeting decided to amend the Articles of Association so that the board of directors shall, in addition to such members that, in accordance with law, may be nominated by others than the General Meeting of Shareholders, consist of not less than six and not more than ten Directors.

Other

The General Meeting decided to establish a Nomination Committee with the task of preparing the election of Directors, the establishment of fees for the Directors and matters pertaining thereto before the forthcoming Annual General Meetings. Gustaf Douglas, Georg Ehrnrooth and Melker Schörling were elected members of the Nomination Committee regarding the Annual General Meeting 2004.

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