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## **REPORT ON INDEPENDENCE OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS**

### **2020**

The Audit, Risks and Compliance Commission of PROMOTORA DE INFORMACIONES, S.A. ("PRISA"), in compliance with Article 529 quaterdecies, paragraph 4.f), of the Corporations Law (Ley de Sociedades de Capital), issues this Report on the independence of the external auditor, Ernst & Young, S.L ("EY"), and states the follow:

- By resolution of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of PRISA held on June 29, 2020, EY was engaged to conduct the audit of the 2020 financial statements of PRISA and its consolidated group ("Grupo PRISA").
- During 2020 the Audit, Risks and Compliance Commission met periodically with the external auditor to analyze the results of its review of the financial statements and, if applicable, to assess situations that could have entailed risk for its independence.
- The Audit, Risks and Compliance Commission annually approves the prior authorization procedure for non-audit services to be performed by EY for any Grupo PRISA company, and a specific procedure was approved for 2020.
- According to that procedure, at each meeting the Audit, Risks and Compliance Commission reviews and approves or otherwise the proposals for non-audit services to be provided by EY and/or its related companies to Grupo PRISA companies. For each of the service proposals analyzed by the Audit, Risks and Compliance Commission, EY previously issues a certification of compliance with the rules of independence in relation to said services.
- The fees for the audit services in respect of the 2020 financial statements performed for the various PRISA companies by EY and/or its related companies amounted to 1,142 thousand euros.

The fees for non-audit services provided to Grupo PRISA companies by EY and/or its related companies in 2020, were as follows:

	Euros 000s
Other verification services	367
Other services	8
<b>Total other professional services</b>	<b>375</b>



- For the purposes of Article 529 quaterdecies, paragraph 4.e), at the date hereof and prior to the issuance of this Report, the Audit, Risks and Compliance Commission has received a report from EY confirming its independence in relation to PRISA and Grupo PRISA companies, as well as an itemisation of the additional services provided to said entities by EY and/or by its related companies during 2020.

As a result of all of the above, and having assessed said services provided by EY and/or by its related companies, individually and in aggregate, and considering that said services comply with the independence requirements set out in the Law on Accounts Auditing (Ley de Auditoría de Cuentas), the Audit, Risks and Compliance Commission understands that there are no objective reasons to question the independence of EY and hereby issues this favourable report regarding the independence of the external auditor.

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