



PRESS RELEASE

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Edmond de Rothschild Group has noted the decision of the Extraordinary General Assembly of Paris-Orléans which approved the adoption of “Rothschild & Co” as a new legal name. We deplore this decision, which is tantamount to appropriating the use of the Rothschild family name, without any distinguishing element, and adds to confusion between the Groups.

It is therefore with regret that Edmond de Rothschild Group has no recourse but to continue its legal proceedings to ensure that family rules are respected and that each Rothschild, in respect for family unity, is able to pursue their activities in healthy and fair competition.

The Group also notes the refusal of the General Assembly to accept two representatives of the Edmond de Rothschild Group on the Supervisory Board of Paris-Orléans. This decision flouts market practices, the Edmond de Rothschild Group being the second-biggest shareholder of Paris-Orléans, with 7.83% of capital and 10.57% of voting rights. This amounts to a discriminating practice against a reference shareholder.

About Edmond de Rothschild Group

The Edmond de Rothschild Group was founded in 1953 by Baron Edmond de Rothschild and presided over since 1997 by Baron Benjamin de Rothschild. The Group specialises in Asset Management and Private Banking. At 30 June 2015, the Group had €149.6 billion of assets under management and 2700 employees spread across 31 offices, branches and subsidiaries throughout the world. In addition to its core businesses of Asset Management and Private Banking, the Group is also active in Corporate Finance, Private Equity and Fund Administration.

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