## The Board's proposal that the Board be authorised to decide on a new issue of Class C and/or Class D preference shares in conjunction with company acquisitions (item 23)

The Board proposes that the Annual General Meeting resolves, during the period until the next Annual General Meeting, to authorise the Board in conjunction with agreements on company acquisitions, on one or several occasions, with or without deviation from the preemptive rights of shareholders, for a cash payment, through set-off or non-cash, to make a decision on a new issue of Class C and/or Class D preference shares in the company. This authorisation shall comprise a maximum of 1,250,000 Class C and/or Class D preference shares. The new issue amount received may, for each individual new issue, amount to a maximum of Ratos's capital contribution for the acquisition.

The reason for deviation from pre-emptive rights is that the company shall be able to issue shares as payment in conjunction with company acquisitions, alternatively procure capital for such acquisitions. The issue price will be determined in accordance with current market conditions.

The Board of Directors, the CEO or the person appointed by one of them shall be entitled to make any minor adjustments to the above decision which might be required in conjunction with registration with the Swedish Companies Registration Office.

The Meeting's resolution on authorisation for the Board to decide on a new issue of Class D preference shares in accordance with this item 23 is conditional on the Meeting resolving in accordance with the Board's proposal for amendments to the Articles of Association in accordance with item 20 above.

A decision under this item is only valid if it is supported by shareholders representing at least two-thirds of both votes cast and shares represented at the Meeting.

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