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By email

Dear Kate

Request for Voluntary Suspension

Pursuant to Listing Rule 17.2, Healthscope Limited (*Healthscope*) requests the immediate suspension from quotation of the ordinary shares of Healthscope, to apply from the commencement of trading today.

The suspension is requested pending the announcement by Healthscope of the outcome of late stage negotiations regarding a potential material acquisition, and any associated capital raising.

For the purpose of Listing Rule 17.2, Healthscope provides the following information:

- (a) the suspension is necessary for Healthscope to make announcements to the market in relation to that potential acquisition, and the outcome of the institutional component of any associated capital raising;
- (b) the suspension is not expected to last beyond the commencement of trading on Thursday 18 February 2010, although Healthscope reserves the right to request that the suspension end earlier, or continue beyond, that time. Healthscope requests that the suspension end upon the making of the later of the announcements referred to in paragraph (a) above; and
- (c) Healthscope is not aware of any reason why its securities should not be suspended.

Yours sincerely

Ingrid Player
Company Secretary