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Dear Sirs

Enclosed herewith please find the English version of the following press release:

- “Zurich Financial Services successfully closes sale of part of its Dutch operations to SNS Reaal” dated September 02, 2003.

Should there be any queries or comments please do not hesitate to contact us.

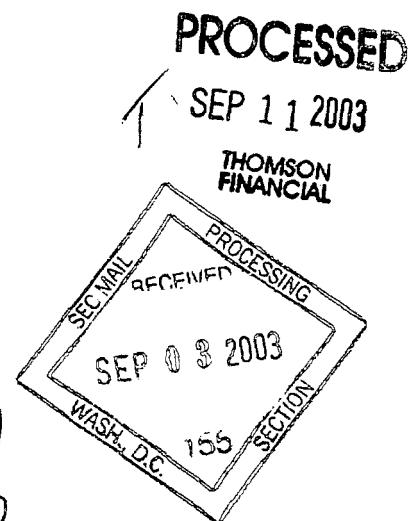
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Zurich, September 1, 2003 - Zurich Financial Services Group (Zurich) today announced the completion of the sale of parts of its Dutch operations to SNS Reaal Groep N.V. (SNS Reaal). This transaction was announced on May 22, 2003. SNS Reaal has acquired all of Zurich's Life operations as well as Zurich's Non-life operations in the consumer and small business segments in the Netherlands. Zurich and SNS Reaal have agreed to keep the price confidential.

Zurich will continue to serve the Non-life corporate business customers in the Netherlands through its business unit Continental Europe Corporate (CEC).

Zurich Financial Services is an insurance-based financial services provider with an international network that focuses its activities on its key markets of North America, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe. Founded in 1872, Zurich is headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland. It has offices in more than 50 countries and employs about 64,000 people.

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