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**MANDATORY TENDER OFFER ON THE ORDINARY SHARES OF SARAS S.P.A. LAUNCHED BY VARAS S.P.A.**

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Press release pursuant to Article 41, par. 2, let. c) of the regulation approved by Consob on 14 May 1999 no. 11971, as subsequently amended and integrated (the “Issuers’ Regulation”)**

**Milan, 20 August 2024** – With reference to the mandatory tender offer promoted by Varas S.p.A. (the “Offeror”), a company indirectly owned by Vitol B.V., on all the outstanding ordinary shares of Saras S.p.A. (“Saras” or the “Issuer”), other than the ordinary shares directly held by the Offeror (the “Offer”), the Offeror hereby announces – in accordance with Article 41, paragraph 2, letter c) of the Issuers’ Regulation – that on the date hereof the following purchase transactions on the ordinary shares of Saras (ISIN code IT0000433307) have been carried out:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Modalities of the transaction</b>	<b>Type of transaction</b>	<b>Number of shares</b>	<b>Currency</b>	<b>Unit price per share</b>
20 August 2024	Euronext Milan	Purchase	1,733,090	Euro	1.6000

The transactions have been carried out through J.P. Morgan Securities plc.

The purchase transactions were carried out at a consideration per share not exceeding Euro 1.60 (*i.e.*, the consideration offered for each ordinary share in the context of the Offer).

As a result of the purchases carried out on the date hereof, Varas directly holds a total of No. 492,301,088 ordinary shares of the Issuer, representing approximately 51.767% of the Issuer’s share capital.

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