

## COMPETITION TRIBUNAL OF SOUTH AFRICA

Case No.: LM040May19

In the matter between:

The SPAR Group Ltd

Primary Acquiring Firm

And

Western Gruppe Trading (Pty) Ltd  
in respect of stores, distribution centre,  
rental enterprises and properties

Primary Target Firm

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Panel : Y Carrim (Presiding Member)  
: A Wessels (Tribunal Panel Member)  
: F Tregenna (Tribunal Panel Member)  
Heard on : 17 July 2019  
Decided on : 17 July 2019

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### ORDER

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Further to the recommendation of the Competition Commission in terms of section 14A(1)(b) of the Competition Act, 1998 ("the Act") the Competition Tribunal orders that—

1. the merger between the abovementioned parties be approved in terms of section 16(2)(a) of the Act; and
2. a Merger Clearance Certificate be issued in terms of Competition Tribunal Rule 35(5)(a).



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Presiding Member  
Ms Yasmin Carrim

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17 July 2019

Date

Concurring: Mr Andreas Wessels and Prof. Fiona Tregenna



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SOUTH AFRICA

## Notice CT 10

### About this Notice

This notice is issued in terms of section 16 of the Competition Act.

You may appeal against this decision to the Competition Appeal Court within 20 business days.

### Contacting the Tribunal

The Competition Tribunal  
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## Merger Clearance Certificate

**Date** : 17 July 2019

**To** : Garlicke Bousfield Attorneys

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The Spar Group Ltd And Western Gruppe Trading (Pty) Ltd, In Respect of Stores, Distribution Centre, Rental Enterprises and Properties

You applied to the Competition Commission on **24 May 2019** for merger approval in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Competition Act.

Your merger was referred to the Competition Tribunal in terms of section 14A of the Act, or was the subject of a Request for consideration by the Tribunal in terms of section 16(1) of the Act.

After reviewing all relevant information, and the recommendation or decision of the Competition Commission, the Competition Tribunal approves the merger in terms of section 16(2) of the Act, for the reasons set out in the Reasons for Decision.

This approval is subject to:

☒ no conditions.

☐ the conditions listed on the attached sheet.

The Competition Tribunal has the authority in terms of section 16(3) of the Competition Act to revoke this approval if

- a) it was granted on the basis of incorrect information for which a party to the merger was responsible.
- b) the approval was obtained by deceit.
- c) a firm concerned has breached an obligation attached to this approval.

**The Registrar, Competition Tribunal**