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#### PRESS RELEASE

# NEWLAT FOOD STOPS NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PRINCES LIMITED

Reggio Emilia, 16 February 2024 – Newlat Food S.p.A. ("Newlat Food" or the "Company") informs its shareholders and all the stakeholders of the Group that it has halted negotiations for the acquisition of 100% of the share capital of Princes Limited ("Princes" or the "Target") and its subsidiaries.

Newlat Food conducted an in-depth analysis on the strategic integration of Princes and, considering the challenging market environment in the United Kingdom, marked by a decrease in demand and a significant drop in inflation, which is expected to lead to pressures on both sales volume and on retailers' demands for price reductions, the Company deemed it appropriate to revise the values proposed in the initial offer. This last offer was not accepted by the seller, Mitsubishi Corporation.

Newlat Food remains open to re-evaluating the target should the seller be willing to reconsider the sale based on the last offer presented.

In any case, the Company confirms its acquisitive profile and the continuous search for external growth opportunities, supported by an increasing availability of its own resources and the presence of significant financial partners who were ready to provide their full support to the Group in front of this great opportunity and who we are confident will continue to support us in the future.

This press release is available on the Company's website at <u>www.newlat.it</u>, , as well as at the authorized storage mechanism eMarket Storage at www.emarketstorage.com.

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## The Newlat Group

The Newlat Group is a relevant multinational, multi-brand, multi-product and multi-channel player in the Italian and European agri-food sector, having a large portfolio of products and brands well known in Italy and internationally. The Newlat Group holds a consolidated positioning in the domestic market, as well as a significant presence on the UK and German markets, with its products being sold in more than 60 countries. The Newlat Group is mainly active in the pasta, milk&dairy, instant noodles, cake mixes and baking kits, bakery and special products sectors, as well as in the health & wellness, gluten free and baby food sectors.

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