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Lonza Confirms Interest in Capsugel

Basel, 12 December 2016 – Lonza Group Ltd notes the recent press speculations that it is in final negotiations with KKR regarding the potential acquisition of Capsugel. Lonza confirms that it has expressed a strong interest in this successful company as it would fit perfectly with Lonza's Healthcare Continuum strategy and strengthen its position as leading supplier to a number of important healthcare markets. A successful acquisition would be value adding and be within Lonza's stated acquisition criteria.

Lonza emphasizes that there can be no certainty as to the outcome of the discussions or whether an acquisition will be completed. More detailed information will follow in case of any significant developments.

About Lonza

Lonza is one of the world's leading and most-trusted suppliers to the pharmaceutical, biotech and specialty ingredients markets. We harness science and technology to create products that support safer and healthier living and that enhance the overall quality of life.

Not only are we a custom manufacturer and developer, Lonza also offers services and products ranging from active pharmaceutical ingredients and stem-cell therapies to drinking water sanitizers, from the vitamin B3 compounds personal care ingredients to agricultural products, and from industrial preservatives to microbial control solutions that combat dangerous viruses, bacteria and other pathogens.

Founded in 1897 in the Swiss Alps, Lonza today is a well-respected global company with more than 40 major manufacturing and R&D facilities and approximately 9,800 full-time employees worldwide. The company generated sales of CHF 3.8 billion in 2015 and is organized into two market-focused segments: Pharma&Biotech and Specialty Ingredients. Further information can be found at www.lonza.com.

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