

## MERGER DECISION NO 24: 2019

## Notice in Terms of Section 60(4)(a)(ii) of the Competition Act

## THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF THE ENTIRE ISSUED SHARE CAPITAL IN BIHL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED T/A LEGAL GUARD BY BOTSWANA INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Pursuant to section 60(4)(a)(ii) of the Competition Act (Cap 46:09), notice is hereby given on the decision made by the Competition Authority ("the Authority") in respect of the proposed acquisition of the entire issued share capital in BIHL Insurance Company Limited t/a Legal Guard ("Legal Guard") by Botswana Insurance Company Limited ("BIC").

The Authority determined through the analysis of the facts of the merger, that the proposed transaction is not likely to result in the prevention or substantial lessening of competition, or endanger the continuity of the services offered in the relevant market. Furthermore, no public interest concerns have been identified.

Pursuant to the provision of section 60 of the Competition Act, the Authority has unconditionally approved the proposed acquisition of the entire issued share capital in BIHL Insurance Company Limited t/a Legal Guard by Botswana Insurance Company Limited.

However, as stated under section 66 of the Act, this approval does not override or negate any other mandatory statutory approvals or processes that any of the parties to this merger must comply with under the Laws of Botswana.

Dated at Gaborone this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019.

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