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For the attention of Magan Chauhan Esq.

Dear Sir,

Costco UK Holdings Limited
Costco Wholesale UK Limited
Costco Limited 277603L
SubmitSelect Limited
Alcalay Limited

As requested, we hereby submit our resignation as auditors of the above companies with immediate effect.

In accordance with section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office that we consider should be brought to the attention of the companies' members or creditors.

Yours faithfully,

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