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AN UNLIMITED PRIVATE COMPANY HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL

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MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF

  
~~SECRETARY/DEPUTY SECRETARY~~

DATE: 1 October 2007

CABLE & WIRELESS US INVESTMENTS

- 1 The Company's name is "CABLE & WIRELESS US INVESTMENTS"<sup>1</sup>
- 2 The Company's registered office is to be situated in England and Wales
- 3 1 The object of the Company is to carry on business as a general commercial company
- 3 2 Without prejudice to the generality of the object and the powers of the Company derived from Section 3A of the Act the Company has power to do all or any of the following things -
  - 3 2 1 To purchase or by any other means acquire and take options over any property whatever, and any rights or privileges of any kind over or in respect of any property
  - 3 2 2 To apply for, register, purchase, or by other means acquire and protect, prolong and renew, whether in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, any trade marks, patents, copyrights, trade secrets, or other intellectual property rights, licences, secret processes, designs, protections and concessions and to disclaim, alter, modify, use and turn to account and to manufacture under or grant licences or privileges in respect of the same, and to expend money in experimenting upon, testing and improving any patents, inventions or rights which the Company may acquire or propose to acquire
  - 3 2 3 To acquire or undertake the whole or any part of the business, goodwill, and assets of any person, firm, or company carrying on or proposing to carry on any of the businesses which the Company is authorised to carry on and as part of the consideration for such acquisition to undertake all or any of the liabilities of such person, firm or company, or to acquire an interest in, amalgamate with, or enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, or for co-operation, or for mutual assistance with any such person, firm or company, or for subsidising or otherwise assisting any such person, firm or company, and to give or accept, by way of consideration for any of the acts or things aforesaid or property acquired, any shares, debentures, debenture stock or securities that may be agreed upon, and to hold and retain, or sell, mortgage and deal with any shares, debentures, debenture stock or securities so received

<sup>1</sup> Upon re-registration of the Company as unlimited the name of the Company was changed from Cable & Wireless US Investments Limited to Cable & Wireless US Investments

- 3 2 4 To improve, manage, construct, repair, develop, exchange, let on lease or otherwise, mortgage, charge, sell, dispose of, turn to account, grant licences, options, rights and privileges in respect of, or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Company
- 3 2 5 To invest and deal with the moneys of the Company not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be determined and to hold or otherwise deal with any investments made
- 3 2 6 To lend and advance money or give credit on any terms and with or without security to any person, firm or company (including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing any holding company, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of, or any other company associated in any way with, the Company), to enter into guarantees, contracts of indemnity and suretyships of all kinds, to receive money on deposit or loan upon any terms, and to secure or guarantee in any manner and upon any terms the payment of any sum of money or the performance of any obligation by any person, firm or company (including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing any such holding company, subsidiary, fellow subsidiary or associated company as aforesaid)
- 3 2 7 To borrow and raise money in any manner and to secure the repayment of any money borrowed, raised or owing by mortgage, charge, standard security, lien or other security upon the whole or any part of the Company's property or assets (whether present or future), including its uncalled capital, and also by a similar mortgage, charge, standard security, lien or security to secure and guarantee the performance by the Company of any obligation or liability it may undertake or which may become binding on it
- 3 2 8 To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, negotiate, execute and issue cheques, bills of exchange, promissory notes, bills of lading, warrants, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments
- 3 2 9 To apply for, promote, and obtain any Act of Parliament, order, or licence of the Department of Trade or other authority for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect, or for effecting any modification of the Company's constitution, or for any other purpose which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to promote the Company's interests, and to oppose any proceedings or applications which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to prejudice the Company's interests
- 3 2 10 To enter into any arrangements with any government or authority (supreme, municipal, local, or otherwise) that may seem conducive to the attainment of the Company's objects or any of them, and to obtain from any such government or authority any charters, decrees, rights, privileges or concessions which the Company may think desirable and to carry out, exercise, and comply with any such charters, decrees, rights, privileges, and concessions
- 3 2 11 To subscribe for, take, purchase, or otherwise acquire, hold, sell, deal with and dispose of, place and underwrite shares, stocks, debentures, debenture stocks, bonds, obligations or securities issued or guaranteed by any other company constituted or carrying on business in any part of the world, and debentures, debenture stocks, bonds, obligations or securities issued or guaranteed by any government or authority, municipal, local or otherwise, in any part of the world
- 3 2 12 To control, manage, finance, subsidise, co-ordinate or otherwise assist any company or companies in which the Company has a direct or indirect financial interest, to provide secretarial, administrative, technical, commercial and other services and facilities of all kinds for any such company or companies and to make payments by way of subvention or otherwise and any other arrangements which may seem desirable with respect to any business or operations of or generally with respect to any such company or companies

- 3 2 13 To promote any other company for the purpose of acquiring the whole or any part of the business or property or undertaking or any of the liabilities of the Company, or of undertaking any business or operations which may appear likely to assist or benefit the Company or to enhance the value of any property or business of the Company, and to place or guarantee the placing of, underwrite, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire all or any part of the shares or securities of any such company as aforesaid
- 3 2 14 To sell or otherwise dispose of the whole or any part of the business or property of the Company, either together or in portions, for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures, or securities of any company purchasing the same
- 3 2 15 To act as agents or brokers and as trustees for any person, firm or company, and to undertake and perform sub-contracts
- 3 2 16 To remunerate any person, firm or company rendering services to the Company either by cash payment or by the allotment of shares or other securities of the Company credited as paid up in full or in part or otherwise as may be thought expedient
- 3 2 17 To distribute among the members of the Company in kind any property of the Company of whatever nature
- 3 2 18 To pay all or any expenses incurred in connection with the promotion, formation and incorporation of the Company, or to contract with any person, firm or company to pay the same, and to pay commissions to brokers and others for underwriting, placing, selling, or guaranteeing the subscription of any shares or other securities of the Company
- 3 2 19 To support and subscribe to any charitable or public object and to support and subscribe to any institution, society, or club which may be for the benefit of the Company or its directors or employees, or may be connected with any town or place where the Company carries on business, to give or award pensions, annuities, gratuities, and superannuation or other allowances or benefits or charitable aid and generally to provide advantages, facilities and services for any persons who are or have been directors of, or who are or have been employed by, or who are serving or have served the Company, or any company which is a subsidiary of the Company or the holding company of the Company or a fellow subsidiary of the Company or the predecessors in business of the Company or of any such subsidiary, holding or fellow subsidiary company and to the wives, widows, children and other relatives and dependants of such persons, to make payments towards insurance including insurance for any director, officer or auditor against any liability in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust (so far as permitted by law), and to set up, establish, support and maintain superannuation and other funds or schemes (whether contributory or non-contributory) for the benefit of any of such persons and of their wives, widows, children and other relatives and dependants, and to set up, establish, support and maintain profit sharing or share purchase schemes for the benefit of any of the employees of the Company or of any such subsidiary, holding or fellow subsidiary company and to lend money to any such employees or to trustees on their behalf to enable any such schemes to be established or maintained
- 3 2 20 Subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Act (if and so far as such provisions shall be applicable) to give, directly or indirectly, financial assistance for the acquisition of shares or other securities of the Company or of any other company or for the reduction or discharge of any liability incurred in respect of such acquisition
- 3 2 21 To procure the Company to be registered or recognised in any part of the world
- 3 2 22 To do all or any of the things or matters aforesaid in any part of the world and either as principals, agents, contractors or otherwise, and by or through agents, brokers, sub-contractors or otherwise and either alone or in conjunction with others

- 3 2 23 To do all such other things as may be deemed incidental or conducive to the attainment of the Company's objects or any of them
- 3 2 24 AND so that -
- 3 2 24 1 None of the provisions set forth in any sub-clause of this clause shall be restrictively construed but the widest interpretation shall be given to each such provision, and none of such provisions shall, except where the context expressly so requires, be in any way limited or restricted by reference to or inference from any other provision set forth in such sub-clause, or by reference to or inference from the terms of any other sub-clause of this clause, or by reference to or inference from the name of the Company
- 3 2 24 2 The word "company" in this clause, except where used in reference to the Company, shall be deemed to include any partnership or other body of persons, whether incorporated or unincorporated and whether domiciled in the United Kingdom or elsewhere
- 3 2 24 3 In this clause the expression "the Act" means the Companies Act 1985, but so that any reference in this clause to any provision of the Act shall be deemed to include a reference to any statutory modification or re-enactment of that provision for the time being in force
- 4 The Company's share capital is £100,000,000 divided into 100,000,000 shares of £1 each

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF



SECRETARY/DEPUTY SECRETARY Cable & Wireless US Investments

DATE: 1 October 2007

(Incorporating all changes to 28 September 2007)

1. PRELIMINARY

- 1.1 The regulations contained in Table A in the Schedule to the Companies (Tables A to F) Regulations 1985 (SI 1985 No 805) as amended by the Companies (Tables A to F) (Amendment) Regulations 1985 (SI 1985 No 1052) and by The Companies Act 1985 (Electronic Communications) Order 2000/2001 (such Table being hereinafter called "Table A") shall apply to the Company save in so far as they are excluded or varied hereby and such regulations (save as so excluded or varied) and the Articles hereinafter contained shall be the Articles of Association of the Company

2. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 In these Articles unless the context otherwise requires

**these Articles** means the Articles of Association in their present form or as from time to time altered,

**the Holding Company** means the body corporate registered in England currently with the name Cable and Wireless plc under number 238525

- 2.2 In the first line of Regulation 1, after the word "regulations" the words "and in any articles adopting in whole or part the same" shall be inserted

2 3 A special or extraordinary resolution shall be effective for any purpose for which an ordinary resolution is expressed to be required under any provisions of these Articles

2 4 The headings are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of these Articles

### **3. SHARE CAPITAL**

3 1 The share capital of the Company at 28 September 2007 is £100,000,000 divided into 100,000,000 shares of £1 each

3 2 The Company may by special resolution

3 2 1 increase the share capital by such sum to be divided into shares of such amount as the resolution may prescribe,

3 2 2 consolidate and divide all or any of its share capital into shares of a larger amount than its existing shares,

3 2 3 subdivide its shares, or any of them, into shares of a smaller amount than its existing shares,

3 2 4 cancel any shares which at the date of the passing of the resolution have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person,

3 2 5 reduce its share capital and any share premium account in any way

3 3 Regulations 3, 32, 34 and 35 of Table A (issue of redeemable shares, alteration of share capital and purchase of own shares) shall not apply to the Company

### **4. ALLOTMENT OF SHARES**

4 1 Shares which are comprised in the authorised share capital with which the Company is incorporated shall be under the control of the directors who may (subject to section 80 of the Act and to Article 3 3 below) ) allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of the same, to such persons, on such terms and in such manner as they think fit

4 2 In accordance with section 91(1) of the Act, sections 89(1) and 90(1) to (6) (inclusive) of the Act shall not apply to the Company

- 4 3 The directors are generally and unconditionally authorised for the purposes of section 80 of the Act to exercise any power of the Company to allot and grant rights to subscribe for or convert securities into shares of the Company up to the amount of the authorised share capital with which the Company is incorporated at any time or times during the period of five years from the date of incorporation and the directors may, after that period, allot any shares or grant any such rights under this authority in pursuance of an offer or agreement so to do made by the Company within that period. The authority hereby given may at any time (subject to the said section 80) be renewed, revoked or varied by ordinary resolution.

## **5. SHARES**

- 5 1 The lien conferred by regulation 8 in Table A shall attach also to fully paid-up shares, and the Company shall also have a first and paramount lien on all shares, whether fully paid or not, standing registered in the name of any person indebted or under liability to the Company, whether he shall be the sole registered holder thereof or shall be one of two or more joint holders, for all moneys presently payable by him or his estate to the Company. Regulation 8 in Table A shall be modified accordingly.
- 5 2 The liability of any member in default in respect of a call shall be increased by the addition at the end of the first sentence of regulation 18 in Table A of the words "and all expenses that may have been incurred by the Company by reason of such non-payment".

## **6. GENERAL MEETINGS AND RESOLUTIONS**

- 6 1 The words "at least seven clear days' notice" shall be substitutes for the words "at least fourteen days' notice" in regulation 38 of Table A.
- 6 2 No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum is present. Subject to Article 6 3 below, two persons entitled to vote upon the business to be transacted, each being a member or a proxy of a member or a duly authorised representative of a corporation, shall be a quorum.
- 6 3 If and for so long as the Company has only one member, that member present in person or by proxy or (if that member is a corporation) by a duly authorised representative shall be a quorum.
- 6 4 If a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for a general meeting the general meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time.

and place or to such other day and at such other time and place as the directors may determine, and if at the adjourned general meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed therefor such adjourned general meeting shall be dissolved

- 6 5 Regulations 40 and 41 in Table A shall not apply to the Company
- 6 6 If and for so long as the Company has only one member and that member takes any decision which is required to be taken in general meeting or by means of a written resolution, that decision shall be as valid and effectual as if agreed by the Company in general meeting, subject as provided in Article 6 9 below
- 6 7 Any decision taken by a sole member pursuant to Article 6 6 above shall be recorded in writing and delivered by that member to the Company for entry in the Company's minute book
- 6 8 Resolutions under section 303 of the Act for the removal of a director before the expiration of his period of office and under section 391 of the Act for the removal of an auditor before the expiration of his period of office shall only be considered by the Company in general meeting
- 6 9 A member present at a meeting by proxy shall be entitled to speak at the meeting and shall be entitled to one vote on a show of hands In any case where the same person is appointed proxy for more than one member he shall on show of hands have as many votes as the number of members for whom he is proxy Regulation 54 in Table A shall be modified accordingly
- 6 10 Unless resolved by ordinary resolution that regulation 62 in Table A shall apply without modification, the instrument appointing a proxy and any authority under which it is executed or a copy of such authority certified notarially or in some other way approved by the directors may be deposited at the place specified in regulation 62 in Table A up to the commencement of the meeting or (in any case where a poll is taken otherwise than at the meeting) of the taking of the poll or may be handed to the chairman of the meeting prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting
- 6 11 Subject to the provisions of the Act, all or any of the members may participate in a general meeting by means of any communication equipment which allows all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other Any person so participating shall be entitled to vote and to



be counted in a quorum accordingly Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the chairman of the meeting is then present

6 12 In the case of

6 12 1 a body corporate which is a member of the Company the signature of a director or the secretary of that body corporate, or

6 12 2 joint holders of a share the signature of any one of such joint holders,

shall be sufficient for the purposes of passing resolutions in writing pursuant to Regulation 53 or section 381A of the Act or recording decisions in accordance with Article 6 7

6 13 In the case of a body corporate which is a member a director or the secretary thereof shall be deemed to be a duly authorised representative for the purpose of Regulation 54, unless the Company has received notice to the contrary

## **7. RESTRICTIONS ON POWERS OF DIRECTORS**

7 1 For so long as the Holding Company and/or any subsidiary of the Holding Company, shall be the holder of 90 per cent or more of the issued ordinary shares of the Company any or all powers of the directors shall be restricted in such respects and to such extent as the Holding Company may by notice to the Company from time to time prescribe Regulation 70 shall be read accordingly

7 2 Any such notice pursuant to Article 7 1 shall be in writing served on the Company and signed on behalf of the Holding Company by any two of its directors or by any one of its directors and its secretary or some other person duly authorised for the purpose No person dealing with the Company shall be concerned to see or enquire as to whether the powers of the directors have been in any way restricted hereunder and no obligation incurred or security given or transaction effected by the Company to or with any third party shall be invalid or ineffectual unless the third party had at the time express notice that the incurring of such obligation or the giving of such security or the effecting of such transaction was in excess of the powers of the Directors

**8. DELEGATION OF DIRECTORS' POWERS**

8 1 Any committee of the board of directors may consist of one or more co-opted persons other than directors on whom voting rights may be conferred as members of the committee but so that

8 1 1 the number of co-opted members shall be less than one-half of the total number of members of the committee, and

8 1 2 no resolution of the committee shall be effective unless a majority of the members of the committee present at the meeting are directors

Regulation 72 shall be modified accordingly

**9. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS**

9 1 The minimum number of directors shall be one and, in the event of there being a sole director, he shall have all the powers and be subject to all the provisions herein conferred on the directors and he or any alternate director appointed by him shall alone constitute a quorum at any meeting of the directors Regulations 64, 89 and 90 shall be modified (and all other Regulations in these Articles relating to directors shall be construed) accordingly

9 2 The directors shall not be required to retire by rotation and

9 2 1 Regulations 73 to 77 inclusive, Regulation 80 and the last sentence of Regulation 84 shall not apply to the Company,

9 2 2 Regulation 78 shall apply but with the deletion of the words "and may also determine the rotation in which any additional directors are to retire", and

9 2 3 the last two sentences of Regulation 79 shall not apply to the Company

9 3 In any case where as the result of death or deaths the Company has no members and no directors the personal representatives of the last member to have died shall have the right by notice in writing to appoint a person to be a director of the Company and such appointment shall be as effective as if made by the Company in General Meeting pursuant to Regulation 78 For the purpose of this article, where two or more members die in circumstances rendering it uncertain which of them survived the other or others, the members shall be

deemed to have died in order of seniority, and accordingly the younger shall be deemed to have survived the elder

- 9 4 Unless and until otherwise determined by the Company or in any particular case, no director shall vacate or be required to vacate his office as a director on or by reason of his attaining or having attained the age of 70, and any person proposed to be appointed a director shall be capable of being appointed as a director notwithstanding that he has attained the age of 70, and no special notice need be given of any resolution for the appointment as a director of a person who shall have attained the age of 70, and it shall not be necessary to give to the members notice of the age of any director or person proposed to be appointed as such

## **10. DISQUALIFICATION AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS**

- 10 1 For so long as the Holding Company, and/or any subsidiary of the Holding Company, shall be the holder of 90 per cent or more of the issued ordinary shares of the Company the Holding Company may at any time and from time to time appoint any person to be a director or remove from office any director howsoever appointed but so that his removal from office shall be deemed an act of the Company and shall have effect without prejudice to any claim for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company
- 10 2 Any such appointment or removal pursuant to Article 9 1 shall be in writing served on the Company and signed on behalf of the Holding Company by any two of its directors or by any one of its directors and its secretary or some other person duly authorised for the purpose
- 10 3 The word "automatically" shall be inserted before the word "vacated" in the first line of Regulation 81 The office of a director shall be vacated if he becomes incapable by reason of illness or injury of managing and administering his property and affairs, and regulation 81 shall be modified accordingly

## **11. BORROWING POWERS**

- 11 1 The directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow money without limit as to amount and upon such terms and in such manner as they think fit and subject (in the case of any security convertible into shares) to section 80 of the Act to grant any mortgage, charge or standard security over its undertaking, property and uncalled capital, or any part thereof, and to issue debentures, debenture stock, and other securities whether outright or as security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party

**12. ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**

12 1 Unless otherwise determined by the Company in general meeting by ordinary resolution an alternate director shall not be entitled as such to receive any remuneration from the Company, save that he may be paid by the Company such part (if any) of the remuneration otherwise payable to his appointor as such appointor may by notice in writing to the Company from time to time direct, and the first sentence of regulation 66 in Table A shall be modified accordingly

12 2 A director, or any such other person as is mentioned in regulation 65 in Table A may act as an alternate director to represent more than one director, and an alternate director shall be entitled at any meeting of the directors or of any committee of the directors to one vote for every director whom he represents in addition to his own vote (if any) as a director, but he shall count as only one for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present

**13. GRATUITIES AND PENSIONS**

13 1 The directors may exercise the powers of the Company conferred by its Memorandum of Association in relation to the payment of pensions, gratuities and other benefits and shall be entitled to retain any benefits received by them or any of them by reason of the exercise of any such powers

13 2 Regulation 87 in Table A shall not apply to the Company

**14. PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS**

14 1 A director may vote, at any meeting of the directors or of any committee of the directors, on any resolution, notwithstanding that it in any way concerns or relates to a matter in which he has or in the case of an alternate director, his appointer, or any person connected with him has directly or indirectly, any kind of interest whatsoever, and if he shall vote on any such resolution his vote shall be counted, and in relation to any such resolution as aforesaid he shall (whether or not he shall vote on the same) be taken into account in calculating the quorum present at the meeting

14 2 Each director shall comply with his obligations to disclose his interest in contracts under section 317 of the Act

14 3 Regulations 94 to 97 (inclusive) in Table A shall not apply to the Company

14 4 Any director may participate in a meeting of the directors or a committee of the directors of which he is a member by means of a conference telephone or similar communicating equipment whereby all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other. A person so participating shall be deemed to be present in person at such meeting and shall be entitled to vote or be counted in a quorum accordingly. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled, or, if there is no such group, where the chairman of the meeting then is.

## **15. THE SEAL**

15 1 If the Company has a seal, it shall only be used with the authority of the directors or of a committee of directors. The directors may determine who shall sign any instrument to which the seal is affixed and unless otherwise so determined it shall be signed by a director and by the secretary or second director. The obligation under regulation 6 of Table A relating to the sealing of share certificates shall apply only if the Company has a seal. Regulation 101 in Table A shall not apply to the Company.

15 2 The Company may have an official seal for use abroad under the provisions of section 40 of the Act where and as the Directors shall determine, and the Company may by writing under the common seal appoint any agent or agents, committees or committee abroad to be duly authorised agents of the Company, for the purpose of affixing and using such official seal, and may impose such restrictions on the use thereof as may be thought fit. Where there is in these Articles reference made to the seal of the Company, the reference shall, when and so far as may be applicable, be deemed to include any such official seal.

## **16. NOTICES**

16 1 Without prejudice to regulations 112 to 116 inclusive in Table A, the Company may give notice to a member by electronic means provided that -

16 1 1 the member has given his consent in writing to receiving notice communicated by electronic means and in such consent has set out an address to which the notice shall be sent by electronic means, and

16 1 2 the electronic means used by the Company enables the member concerned to read the text of the notice

16 2 A notice given to a member personally or in a form permitted by Article 16 1 above shall be deemed to be given on the earlier of the day on which it is delivered personally and the day on which it was despatched by electronic means, as the case may be

16 3 Regulation 115 in Table A shall not apply to a notice delivered personally or in a form permitted by Article 16 1 above

16 4 In this article "electronic" means actuated by electric, magnetic, electro-magnetic, electro-chemical or electro-mechanical energy and "by electronic means" means by any manner only capable of being so actuated

## **17. INDEMNITY**

17 1 Every director or other officer or auditor of the Company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against all losses or liabilities which he may sustain or incur in or about the execution of the duties of his office or otherwise in relation thereto, including any liability incurred by him in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, or in connection with any application under section 144 or section 727 of the Act in which relief is granted to him by the Court, and no director or other officer shall be liable for any loss, damage or misfortune which may happen to or be incurred by the Company in the execution of the duties of his office or in relation thereto But this Article shall only have effect in so far as its provisions are not avoided by section 310 of the Act

17 2 The directors shall have power to purchase and maintain for any director, officer or auditor of the Company insurance against any such liability as is referred to in section 310(1) of the Act

17 3 Regulation 118 in Table A shall not apply to the Company

## **18. TRANSFER OF SHARES**

18 1 The directors may, in their absolute discretion and without assigning any reason therefor, decline to register the transfer of a share, whether or not it is a fully paid share, and the first sentence of regulation 24 in Table A shall not apply to the Company