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Dear Sirs

**Statement to the directors of Allied Domecq (Europe) Finance Limited (no. 04425583)
on ceasing to hold office as auditors**

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 company's members or creditors.

Yours faithfully

KPMG Audit Plc

