# **DATED 29 NOVEMBER 1999**

# BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO (INVESTMENTS) LIMITED

- and -

## WESTON INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED

## **AGREEMENT**

for the acquisition of Shares in Molensteegh Invest B.V.

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Ref: 2127/2610/30796729



## THIS AGREEMENT is made on 29 November 1999

#### **BETWEEN:**

1. BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO (INVESTMENTS) LIMITED a company incorporated in the United Kingdom with registered number 00074974 and whose registered office is at Globe House, 1 Water Street, London, WC2R 3LA (the "Vendor"); and



2. WESTON INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED a company incorporated in England with registered number 00179244 and whose registered office is at Globe House, 4 Temple Place, London, WC2R 2PG (the "Purchaser").

#### WHEREAS:

- (A) Molensteegh Invest B.V. (the "Company") is incorporated in the Netherlands with registered office at De Boelelaan 32, 1083 HJ Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- (B) The issued share capital of the Company is 1,097,435 shares of NLG 1 each.
- (C) The Vendor has agreed to sell and the Purchaser has agreed to purchase the beneficial and legal title to 24,718 Shares of NLG 1 each registered in the Vendor's name at the date of this Agreement (the "Sale Shares") upon the terms and conditions hereinafter appearing.

#### **NOW IT IS AGREED** as follows:

## 1. SALE AND PURCHASE

- 1.1 The Vendor shall sell with full title guarantee and the Purchaser shall purchase the Sale Shares for the consideration specified in clause 2 below.
- 1.2 The Sale Shares are sold free from any option, charge, lien, equity, encumbrance, rights of pre-emption or any other third party rights and together with all rights attached to them at the date of this Agreement or subsequently becoming attached to them.

#### 2. CONSIDERATION

The consideration for the sale of the Sale Shares shall be 23,105 shares of £1 in the share capital of the Purchaser.

#### 3. TRANSFER OF SALE SHARES

Forthwith upon the signing of this Agreement:

3.1 the Vendor shall procure the entry of the Purchaser in the register of members of the Company.

## 4. NO WARRANTY

Apart from clause 1.2 the Vendor shall give no warranties or representations in relation to the Sale Shares and, save in the case of fraud, the Purchaser shall have no claim against the Vendor in respect of any express or implied representations or warranties in contract or tort (whether or not formulated in negligence), under statute or otherwise howsoever.

#### 5. POST TRANSFER

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The Vendor shall after taking the steps specified in clause 3 above execute all such deeds and documents and do all such things as the Purchaser may reasonably require for perfecting the transactions intended to be effected under or pursuant to this Agreement and for vesting in the Purchaser the full benefit of the Sale Shares.

# 6. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION AND SERVICE OF PROCESS

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law and each party irrevocably agrees that the Courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction in relation to any claim, dispute or difference concerning this Agreement and any matter arising therefrom.

| AS WITNESS the hands of the parties hereto the  | day an      | id year first aboye written. |   |
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| SIGNED by Murray Gilliland Charles Anderson for and on behalf of British-American Tobacco (Investments) | )<br>)<br>) | Secretary                    | _ |
| SIGNED by Keith Silvester Dunt  | )           | ( Vind                       |   |
| for and on behalf of  | )           | Director                     |   |
| Weston Investment Company Limited   | )           |                              |   |