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Banca Ifis, authorization granted by the Italian Authority (AGCM) for the concentration transaction between Banca Ifis Group and illimity Bank Group

Mestre (Venice), 10th March 2025 – With reference to the voluntary tender and exchange offer (the "**Offer**") concerning all the ordinary shares of illimity Bank S.p.A. ("**illimity**") announced to the public on 8 January 2025 by Banca Ifis S.p.A. ("**Banca Ifis**") through the communication pursuant to Article 102, paragraph 1, of Legislative Decree 24 February 1998, no. 58, and Article 37-*ter* of the Issuers' Regulations ("**Offeror's Communication**"), Banca Ifis S.p.A. hereby announces that the Italian Antitrust Authority ("**AGCM**") has authorized, without any condition, **limitation or prescription**, the concentration transaction between Banca Ifis Group and illimity Group.

In the light of the above, and in accordance with the applicable regulatory framework, Banca Ifis inform that the antitrust condition for the effectiveness of the Offer, as set forth in paragraph 3.4, point (i), of the Offeror's Communication, is deemed to be fulfilled.

For any further information regarding the Offer – pending the publication of the offer document, which was filed with CONSOB on 27 January 2025 – reference is made to the Offeror's Communication published on the Offeror's website, at <u>www.bancaifis.it</u>, which sets forth the legal requirements, the terms, conditions and essential elements of the Offer.

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