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Press Release

Financière de Tubize strengthens its shareholding in UCB

Brussels (Belgium), February 9, 2007 - 6:00 PM CET – Financière de Tubize S.A., UCB's reference shareholder, has announced today that Financière de Tubize and a group of long term investors have acquired 13.89 million shares of UCB (7.58% of UCB issued share capital) from the Schwarz family. The Schwarz family is committed to retaining its remaining 9.88 million shares of UCB (5.39% of UCB issued share capital) until at least June 2010.

Roch Doliveux, Chief Executive Officer, UCB, commented "UCB highly appreciates the enhanced commitment and confidence of Financière de Tubize and welcomes the endorsement of these new long term shareholders."

A copy of Financière de Tubize's press release is attached.

About UCB

UCB (www.ucb-group.com) is a leading global biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the research, development and commercialisation of innovative pharmaceutical and biotechnology products in the fields of central nervous system disorders, allergy/respiratory diseases, immune and inflammatory disorders and oncology – UCB focuses on securing a leading position in severe disease categories. Employing over 8,300 people in over 40 countries, UCB achieved revenue of 2.3 billion euro in 2005. UCB is listed on the Euronext Brussels Exchange. Worldwide headquarters are located in Brussels, Belgium.

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Financière de Tubize and a group of long term investors have acquired this morning a block of 13.89 million UCB shares at a price of 48.75€ per share, representing a discount of 1.5% on the weighted average price per UCB share of the previous day, ie February 8, 2007. This transaction bearing on 7.58% of UCB's share capital concerns the block of shares held by Schwarz Vermögensverwaltung GmbH & Co KG which was freely transferable.

Financière de Tubize acquired 4.00 million UCB shares, the remainder being acquired by a group of long term investors with whom Financière de Tubize entered into various shareholders' agreements including among others a three year lock-up and pre-emption rights for the benefit of Financière de Tubize. As a result of this transaction, Financière de Tubize increased its total holding in UCB from 34.03% to 36.21%.

This transaction reflects the increased confidence that Financière de Tubize has in the future prospects of UCB. UCB declared today that it welcomed the reinforcement made by its reference shareholder and the arrival of new long term shareholders.

At the time of this transaction, Financière de Tubize does not have in its possession any non-public price sensitive information on UCB.

The stake sold by the Schwarz family holding had been acquired in the context of the friendly takeover of Schwarz AG by UCB. The Schwarz family holding remains a long term shareholder of UCB and retains a further 5.4% stake in the company. As per the existing shareholders' agreement between the Schwarz family holding and Financière de Tubize, Schwarz Vermögensverwaltung GmbH & Co KG has a lock-up until June 1st, 2010 on half of this stake and until 1st June 2011 on the other half.

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