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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

9 March 2018

**Statement regarding GKN plc (“GKN”) announcement**

The Board of Melrose notes today’s announcement by GKN in relation to the proposed sale of its Driveline business to Dana Incorporated (“Dana”) and notes the following:

- The proposed new entity would be majority Dana-owned, Dana-managed and headquartered in Ohio.
- GKN shareholders would receive US-listed shares, which many would neither wish or be able to hold.
- For UK-resident shareholders of GKN, the receipt of the new Dana shares is expected to be treated and taxed as dividend income.
- The hasty sale by GKN is being proposed prior to any improvement being made for the benefit of GKN shareholders.
- This transaction will involve a lengthy and uncertain completion process, including anti-trust clearances in the EU, US and China, as well as Dana’s shareholder approval, which is not expected until Q4 2018.

Christopher Miller, Chairman of Melrose said:

*“Today’s announcement changes nothing and is a further admission of the management failure of GKN. A hasty sale of one of Britain’s most important businesses will leave it listed overseas, run by a foreign management team and rebranded as a US business. In our view it is structured in a way prejudicial to GKN shareholders’ interests. We urge GKN shareholders to accept the Melrose offer.”*

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