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ABNEY ASSOCIATES

The Financial Services and Markets Authority (FSMA) warns the public against the activities of Abney Associates, a company that offers investment services.

Abney Associates is not an authorized investment firm in Belgium. It is therefore not allowed to provide investment services in or from Belgium.

The FSMA therefore advises **against responding to any offers of financial services** made by Abney Associates and **against transferring money** to any account number they might mention.

Abney Associates claims to have its registered office in Hong Kong, 49/F Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East. However, according to a warning issued by Hong Kong's supervisory authority, the SFC, on 17 October 2012, Abney Associates is not registered at the address given.

Abney Associates could have a connection with The Tyler Group, a firm about which the FSMA published a warning on 3 September 2012.

If you would like to enquire more generally as to the regularity of a transaction being proposed, please consult the 'Consumers' page of the FSMA website (www.fsma.be). You may also contact the 'Relations with Consumers of Financial Services' department (tel.: +32 2 220 59 10; e-mail address: peri@fsma.be).

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