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REGINA MARIA 3.0: The healthcare network signs the largest transaction in the medical market of Central and Eastern Europe

REGINA MARIA – The healthcare network, the leading company in medical service quality in Romania, together with MediGroup, the leading private healthcare provider in Serbia, announces the largest transaction in the medical market of Central and Eastern Europe, as they join Mehiläinen Group, the largest private healthcare provider in Finland. With a history of over 115 years in the medical field and an expanding international presence, the group is acquiring 100% of the shares of REGINA MARIA and MediGroup from the investment fund MidEuropa.

The new partnership confirms the high development potential of the healthcare market in Romania and the region, marking a new stage in REGINA MARIA's evolution in a key year that celebrates 30 years since the network's founding as well as the emergence of private medicine in Romania. The transaction is subject to customary regulatory approvals and is expected to be finalized by the end of this year.

"REGINA MARIA is one of the fastest-growing and highest-quality healthcare service providers in Europe, led by some of the best professionals in the field. We have closely followed the company's development for years, and we are truly delighted with the opportunity for acquisition. Regina Maria's sister company MediGroup is also a leading player in its market with excellent quality. I am looking forward to the partnership with Fady and his outstanding management team", **Janne-Olli Järvenpää**, *CEO, Mehiläinen Group* affirmed.

"We are honored that the largest healthcare provider in Finland, with over a century of medical experience, recognizes the potential of the medical market in Romania and Serbia. This investment reflects Mehiläinen Group's confidence in the economic development of the region, representing an important sign of stability in the current financial context. Mehiläinen's investment marks an extremely significant chapter in our network's history, and we are excited to step into this new stage, where we aim, together, to transform the European landscape of private healthcare, relying on strong management teams and an integrated vision. We are fully confident that, alongside Mehiläinen, we will benefit from strong support to continue strengthening our services in both Romania and Serbia. Together, we are moving towards a future of increasingly advanced, digitalized, and accessible healthcare, where patient safety and the quality of medical care remain paramount", declared **Fady Chreih**, *CEO, REGINA MARIA – The healthcare network and Chairman of the Board MediGroup.*

"We want to thank Fady Chreih and his team of managers and key physicians for their dedication and enthusiasm and wish them success as they work with Mehiläinen, their well-reputed management team and experienced shareholders", **Matthew Strassberg**, *MidEuropa, Partner and founder of the Healthcare Services sector practice*,

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Mehiläinen Group is the fastest-growing company in the healthcare sector, originating from Finland, with a 115-year history and a presence in five European countries. The group's operations currently encompass over 890 clinics and medical facilities, along with a network of more than 37,000 healthcare professionals. Annually, the group serves over 2.2 million clients and reported a revenue of €2,063.5 million in 2024, marking an 11.5% increase compared to 2023.

With over a century of experience in healthcare, Mehiläinen Group is a strong driver of international medical quality, consistently investing in digitalization opportunities and enhancing the quality and efficiency of care across all its operations.

With over 11,000 employees and collaborators and with locations in every county in Romania, the REGINA MARIA healthcare network is the leader in medical service quality, consistently demonstrating its commitment to medical excellence and patient safety. With a portfolio of nearly 1 million subscriptions and approximately 13,000 corporate partners, REGINA MARIA remains one of the largest private premium healthcare providers in Romania. Regina Maria's sister company MediGroup is the leading service provider in the private healthcare market in Serbia with over 100 units and over 2,500 employees. The combined revenue of the companies exceeded 550 million euros in 2024.